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Leningrad Believed Placed In Danger by Enemy Drive; Moscow Denies Nazi Claims

London, July 14.

WHILE there is no confirmation here of the German claims of successes in Russia, it is thought likely that the Germans have made some progress. The most dangerous Nazi threat appears to be against Leningrad, while there are indications that the Russians are adjusting their line on the Bessarabian front.

A communique issued by Moscow last night, which flatly contradicts German claims of sweeping successes, states that "there were no substantial alterations in the position of the troops at the front."

In the north, says the communique, very heavy fighting is still taking place near Pskov, a Russian town close to the Estonian and Latvian frontier. Large forces of Nazi mechanized units tried to develop an offensive, but were hurled back on all fronts and in some places suffered heavy losses.

In the centre of the front, Vitebsk continues to be the scene of the heaviest fighting, while in the southern part of this sector, according to Moscow, Soviet forces recaptured two places about 40 miles east of Vitebsk.

Nazi Advance Blocked

Turning to operations in the southern sector, it is stated that fierce fighting took place all day yesterday, which resulted in the blocking of the German advance.

The communique also claims that on Saturday the Soviet Air Force destroyed 131 German planes.

Commenting on the last three weeks' fighting, Moscow radio claimed that events in this period have shown the undoubted failure of Herr Hitler's Blitzkrieg plan.

"Picked German divisions," said the announcer, "have been destroyed by Soviet troops. The number of Germans killed, wounded and taken prisoner during this period of operations is estimated at no less than 1,000,000 men. Our losses in killed, wounded and missing were no more than 250,000.

Comparative Losses

"The Soviet Air Force, destruction of which Hitlerite braggards announced in the first days of the war, according to precise data has destroyed over 2,300 German planes and continues systematically to destroy enemy planes and motorized and mechanized units, and to bomb aerodromes and other military objectives.

"It has been ascertained that German planes now shirk encounters with Soviet fighting planes in air combats.

"German troops lost over 3,000 tanks in these operations", added the announcer, "compared with our losses of 1,900 planes and 2,200 tanks.

The announcer also claims that the German High Command has recalled nearly all its troops from occupied parts of France, the German-Swiss frontier and other places, replacing them with old men and invalids. He attributes this action to the huge losses sustained by Nazi forces.—Reuter.

Nazis Claim Break Through Stalin Line Continuing

Berlin, July 14.

Although stressing that German armoured forces had broken through the Stalin Line, the High Command today failed to equal the enthusiastic claims of Nazi quarters that Nazi mechanized units had driven 60 miles beyond the "last Soviet fortification in the European area" at almost all points.

Greatly outstripping official High Command claims, military and newspaper reports implied now that the Germans had broken through the Stalin Line there was nothing but disorganized masses of men between them and the three key cities of Leningrad, Moscow and Kiev, towards which the Germans were driving.

The newspapers asserted that Nazi armoured divisions had driven far into the Russian lines towards the three key cities and that German planes were bombing highways and railroads along the line of retreat, and also great masses of reinforcements which had arrived to late.

"According to Plan"

The High Command simply said that the "break through operations on the Eastern front are proceeding according to plan."

The High Command's communique also revealed that "Finnish armed forces, under the supreme command of Field Marshal Baron Gustav von Mannerheim, have taken the offensive on both sides of Lake Ladoga.

"German destroys sank two outposts vessels of the Soviet Navy."

Crack German armoured forces yesterday swept to points 100 kilometres beyond the Stalin Line after cracking the Soviet fortifications-in-depth system and German military authorities claimed that the Nazi break-through had clinched a German victory in the east.

German Panzer divisions and shock troops now threaten Leningrad as a result of their feat in blasting through the Russian fortified line, while the occupation of Kiev is imminent, according to military authorities.

In addition, there are no further fortifications of importance which might threaten to halt the German thrust across the broad Russian plains to Moscow.

The Soviet Red Army was described by these quarters as having been split so effectively that only single battles behind the Stalin Line are expected to take place in the future.

Beyond Stalin Line

German forces, it was stated, at some points have penetrated 100 kilometres beyond the Stalin Line. It was emphasized the Russian main lines of communications as well as centres of production behind the Russian lines are now exposed to the danger of German attacks.

What the battles of Flanders, Artois and Dunkirk, together with the smash through the "Weygand Line" meant to the western campaign, the battles of Bialystok and Minsk, and the break-through of the Stalin Line now mean to the campaign in the east, according to authorized commentators. They claimed that Moscow is now as vulnerable as was Paris in the late spring of 1940.

The parallel inference was that the fate of Soviet forces in Europe has now been sealed.

Berlin Jubilant

The Monday morning press and last night's radio broadcasts were marked with a note of jubilation based on the "decisive break-through and annihilation blow."

Chancellor Adolf Hitler was hailed as the world's war genius who has now added the laurels of the victory in the east to those gained in the west and the Balkans.

German infantrymen, the tank corps, sappers and members of the Luftwaffe were lauded in stories that ran for columns for accomplishing in three weeks what the Imperial German Army failed to accomplish during the World War.

The German announcement of victory was underlined here as a superadequate answer to those persons in the western countries who, up to a few days ago, had believed that the German advance had been halted.

Stage of Decision

The appointment of three new Soviet commanders, "the best men and the last men," was ironically compared to Generalissimo Maxime Weygand's last-minute effort to save France from collapse a year ago.

Official military quarters claimed that the Germans blasted through the Stalin Line for a depth of 50 kilometres before reaching open ter-

[United Press.

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Nazi Invincibility a Myth, Says Moscow

London, July 14.

"German invincibility is a myth which the Red Army will know how to dispel," M. Averin, the Moscow Radio commentator, declared in a broadcast last night. Hitler's successes in the present war have so far been due to numerical superiority. They do not imply invincibility. In the fight against the U.S.S.R. Hitler has managed to secure certain advantages, but he has miscalculated his forces.—Reuter.

Nazi Force Placed Under Mannerheim's Command

London, July 14.

Field-Marshal Mannerheim, Finnish commander-in-chief, revealed in an order of the day to his troops broadcast last night by the Finnish Radio, that "the experienced German 163rd division" had been placed at his disposal. The division the order said, is commanded by General Engelbrecht.—Reuter.

Russia Hails New Pact With Great Britain

London, July 14.

"The U.S.S.R. and England represent a force that Fascism will soon feel. The joint action of two great peoples will put an end to the infamous crimes of the Hitlerite gang."

The Moscow Radio broadcast this last night as being a typical example of the attitude of Russian workers on hearing of the Anglo-Soviet agreement. Meetings for discussion and speeches were held in factories all over Russia, and the announcement was everywhere received with great enthusiasm.

M. Stalin was among those present at the signing of the agreement. Shortly after 5 p.m. on Saturday Sir Stafford Cripps, the British Ambassador to Moscow, Lieut.-General Mason MacFarlane, head of the British military mission to Russia, and other leading members of the British Embassy and mission went to the office of M. Molotov, Foreign Commissar, where among others they met M. Stalin, M. Molotov, M. Vyshinsky, Deputy-Commissar for Foreign Affairs, Marshal Shaposnikov, Vice-Commissar of Defence, and M. Soboliev, Secretary-General of the Foreign Commissariat.

Historic Function

After the ceremony, which was filmed, toasts were drunk in champagne, and there was a friendly conversation on both sides.

M. Stalin talked with several Britons, including General MacFarlane. The function lasted an hour.

The B.B.C. signalized the Anglo-Russian agreement by rebroadcasting, before the playing of Allied national anthems last night, the "rousing military march and call to battle" broadcast by the Moscow Radio when M. Stalin spoke to the Russian people on July 3 after the German invasion.

The Anglo-Russian pact is considered in political circles in Berlin as having a significant bearing on the military position, says a semi-official German statement. It is well known, the statement continues, that when a fall has once begun it cannot be halted, especially when two parties are involved who cling together.—Reuter.

Australia Supports Pact

Melbourne, July 14.

Australia supports the Anglo-Russian agreement for "full reciprocal military aid," declared the Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies.

He added that the best assistance would be for all parties in Russia vigorously to continue the eastern fight, Britain to maintain the aerial bombardment, and Imperial troops to pursue their own campaign in the Middle East.

The agreement, added Mr. Menzies, did not affect Australia's internal policy, particularly against subversive acts, irrespective of labels. The public had no sympathy with extremely vocal people who were discovering that the war was just only after Russia's entry.

Better Late Than Never

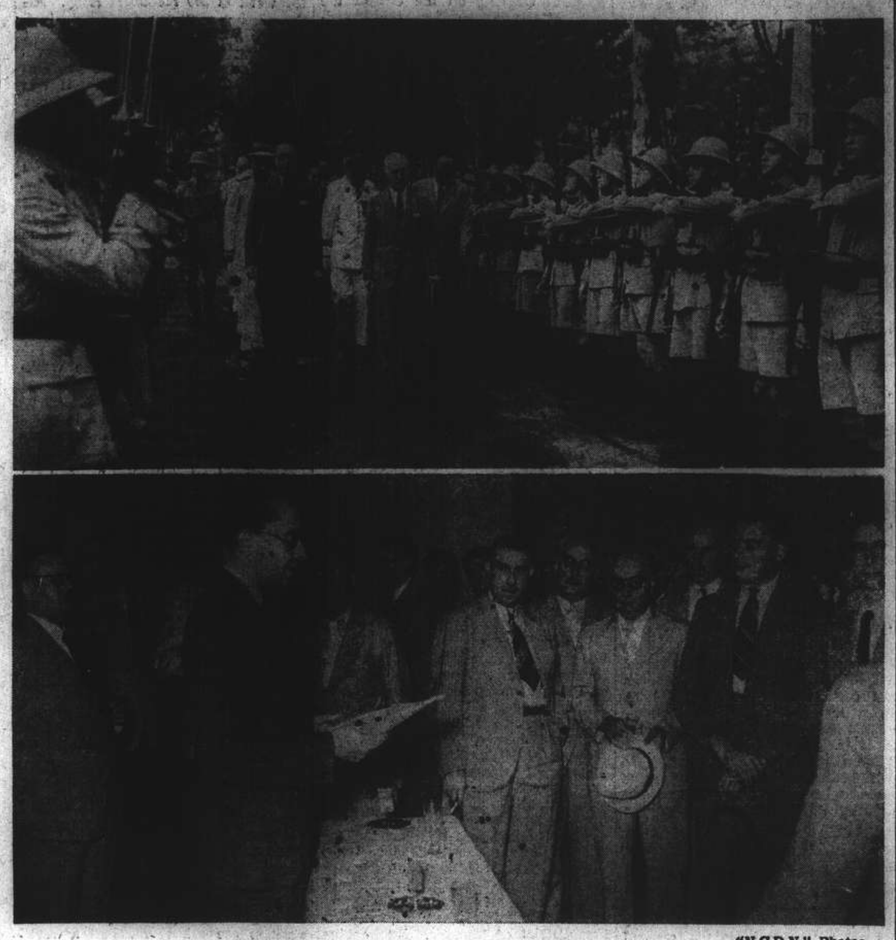
Commenting on the agreement at Sydney Sir Frederick Stewart, Minister of External Affairs, said the pact would give the widest satisfaction, and in effect meant that Britain and Russia would co-operate wholeheartedly and not to negotiate with the enemy except by mutual agreement.

The "Sydney Sun," in an editorial, said the agreement was the only logical outcome of the situation forced by Hitler's invasion of Russia. Every reasonable man in the British Empire, the newspaper added, "will applaud the pact and will agree that it is better late than never."—Reuter.

China Missionary Dies In Britain

London, July 14.

The death of Doctor E. V. S. Morgan, missionary in China for over half a century, was announced here today.—Reuter.



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Subdued Observances Here For "Le Quartorze Juillet"

In compliance with the wishes of Marshal Petain, Chief of the French State, celebrations in Shanghai on the occasion of France's National Day were of a subdued nature. The first ceremony of the day took place at the Pahsienjao Cemetery where M. Henri Cosme, French Ambassador to China, laid a wreath at the Monument des Morts. In the upper picture, M. Cosme is seen reviewing the Guard of Honour in the cemetery; accompanying him is M. Roland de Margerie, French Consul-General in Shanghai (at left), with many other French officials behind. Later in the morning, a reception was held by the French Consul-General at the Consulate; the picture below shows M. Roland de Margerie giving his speech at this function.

Vichy Gives General Dentz Power to Sign Armistice

London, July 14.

A STATEMENT issued here by the Vichy news agency last night explained that Gen. Dentz had authority to negotiate whatever armistice he thought fit and at whatever time he chose.

Gen. Dentz, it was added, had full powers to make whatever decision he judged necessary from the military point of view.—Reuter.

Vichy, July 14.

Official French communiques yesterday acknowledged that an armistice had been initialled at Acre on Saturday night, terminating the five-weeks-old hostilities in Syria.—United Press.

To Be Signed Today

Vichy, July 14.

It is reliably understood that the armistice which has been initialled by French and British army commanders at Acre, will be signed today.—Havas Telemondial.

Fighting Stopped

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent with Imperial Forces in Syria)

Outside Beirut, July 14.

Though the boom of artillery and the crackle of machine-guns in Syria has given way to a peaceful stillness, Allied forces remain in a constant state of vigilance, and gunners continue to stand by their positions.

It is generally expected here that an armistice will be signed within the next 24 hours, and that the effect of the terms will be that the Allies will take over Syria both politically and militarily.

Signature Awaited

After the terms of the Syrian armistice were initialled on Saturday night, representatives of both Governments referred them back to their respective governments, it is officially stated. The result of the final decision is now awaited.

Last night lights in Beirut blazed down the coast, while beams from the Beirut lighthouse swung out across the sea.

With the prospect of normal conditions being re-established in Syria in the near future, merchants and businessmen in Palestine, many of whom had branches in Syria, are looking forward to an early resumption of business relations.

Normal Conditions

Similarly it may be assumed that summer resorts among the Lebanon's cedar-clad mountains, which annually attract many thousands of visitors from Egypt, Iraq and Palestine, are anticipating a busy season, which is due to start shortly.

The signing of the Syrian Armistice is expected to be followed by a regrouping of British Forces in the Middle East, according to Ankara radio. Massing of British troops on the border of Iraq and Afghanistan is seen likely while the possibility of sending aid to Russia via the Caucasus will also be considered.

Strong Pro-Soviet Feeling Causing Bulgarian Tension

Ankara, July 14.

Bulgaria is reported to have completed partial mobilization.

Travellers from Bulgaria state that they did not see heavy troop concentrations on the frontier, but noticed many large troop encampments along the Plovdiv-Svelingrad line, from which troops could be rushed all over the country where required.

It appears that the Bulgarian Government is extremely apprehensive owing to the pro-Russian feeling among the people, especially in the ports of Varna and Bourgas, where Communists are active. Many officers with Russian sympathies have been sent to concentration camps.

German road signs are still in evidence. The internal situation in the country may explain the partial mobilization, as war against the Soviets would split the country in two, while any Bulgarian attempt to grab Turkish Thrace would be suicidal for Bulgaria.—Reuter.

Free French Celebrate Bastille Day

Jerusalem, July 14.

In contrast with France, where Bastille Day is marked this year by a day of mourning, the Free French in Palestine are celebrating the Fourteenth of July at their base depot, in Palestine, with an open-air function.

Sports and competitions are included in the programme.

A reception will also be held at the French hospital at Bethlehem, while a special high mass was held this morning in Jerusalem.

The newspaper "Palestine Post" remarks that it is true enough that in and through the part played by Frenchmen in the five weeks' campaign in Syria, something of France has been recaptured.—Reuter.

France Observes Bastille Day

Vichy, July 14.

All of France today will observe Bastille Day—long regarded as the anniversary of the birth of French independence—without flags. Marshal Henri Petain, Chief-of-State, suggested the day be spent "in thought and meditation."—United Press.

British Industrialist Passes Away

London, July 14.

The death of Sir Ernest Thompson, Chairman of the Executive Joint Committee of cotton trade organizations, occurred here today at the age of 76. Sir Ernest had many friends in China, which he visited when he headed an important government economic mission to the Far East in 1930.—Reuter.

July 14 Message to Gen. de Gaulle

Yesterday, France's National Day, the Allied Federation of Shanghai despatched the following cable to General de Gaulle, leader of the Free French movement:—

"On this day sacred to the cause of French freedom the Allied Federation of Shanghai greets the real leader of France and his valiant followers in their splendid struggle against tyranny."

Sig. Gayda Attacks U.S. Policy

Rome, July 14.

Sig. Virginio Gayda, often considered the "mouthpiece" of Premier Benito Mussolini, declared in the "Voce d'Italia" yesterday that the Axis will take reprisals against the United States as a result of the declaration by Col. Frank Knox, Secretary of Navy, that an American naval unit had dropped a depth bomb near an Axis submarine.

Sig. Gayda also declared that the United States' occupation of Iceland has given European countries the right to take similar measures in the Western Hemisphere for defence of the European continent.

"While the German offensive develops against Bolshevism in order to free the European continent and civilization from one of its most insidious enemies, the offensive of the North American war-mongers advances against Europe with the obvious aim of making the European peoples slaves of the dollar and suffocating their national liberties and creative civilization," Sig. Gayda wrote.

"These war-mongers now seek conquest of the outlying bases of Europe for the purpose of re-establishing around the continent the encirclement policy begun by Britain.

"President Roosevelt's declarations to the press in which he said that geographic conditions cannot hinder American defensive measures are the best proof of the aggressive intentions of the United States."—United Press.

U.S. Plans No Change In Silver Purchases

Washington, July 14.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, has assured western Senators that the Administration contemplates no change in the silver purchasing policy, it was revealed here today.

The assurance was in the form of a letter to Senator Pat McCarran, Democrat of Neveda.

Senator McCarran predicted that any effort to repeal the silver purchase act would be defeated.—United Press.

Churchill Says Enemy Bombed More Heavily Than U.K. Ever Was

London, July 14.

"WE are now bombing the enemy at a heavier rate in discharge of tons of bombs than he has in any monthly period bombed us," declared the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, addressing a rally of 6,000 civil defence workers in Hyde Park this morning.

"But this is only the beginning," said the Prime Minister. "We shall continue the process upon a growing scale until we have beaten down this horrible tyranny.

"The courage of Londoners under an unexampled strain (during the Battle of London) not only enabled British to come through what might have been thought deadly peril, but impressed itself upon every country and gained scores of millions of friends in the United States.

"I do not hesitate to say," Mr. Churchill asserted "that the enormous advance in the United States towards making their contribution to British resistance thoroughly effective has been largely influenced by the conduct of Londoners and of men and women in our provincial cities, in standing up to the enemy's bombardment.

Raids May Be Renewed

"You have just come out of one long hard battle, and may at any moment enter upon another. For the moment there is a lull," Mr. Churchill concluded, "but we must expect that before long the enemy will renew his attacks upon us."

"The soul of France can never die, and the spirit of the French people will rise again from all this ruin and misery, purified and rejuvenated by what it has undergone," said the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, in a message to Gen. de Gaulle, leader of the Free French, and his "gallant comrades."

"I send this message to tell all true Frenchmen and French women, wherever they may be, and however hard their lot, that the British nation and empire is always on the March along the great road which leads to victory.

A Happier Day

"I feel sure," the Prime Minister added, "that most of us will live to see another Fourteenth of July when the glories of France will be restored and when, amid the roar of a liberated Europe we shall celebrate a festival of peace and freedom and will make amends for all.

"It is a good augury that this Fourteenth of July should witness the liberation of Syria from the control of the Nazis by British and French hands, so that independence and sovereignty can be restored to the Arab peoples and the historic interests of France in Syria can be recognized and preserved" concluded Mr. Churchill.—Reuter.

Praises Civil Defence

After reviewing the London civil defence forces in Hyde Park this morning, Mr. Churchill, other members of the Government, and London Regional Commissioners were guests at a luncheon of the London County Council. Mr. Peter Frazer, the Prime Minister of New Zealand, was among the distinguished company present.

The Prime Minister in his speech, which was broadcast, said: It seems to me odd that it should have taken the stresses of a great world war to bring me for the first time to Country Hall, and I am very glad indeed to find that at this time it has not already ceased to exist.

"You have taken in this building some of the blows and scars which have fallen upon London, but, like the rest of London, you carry on.

"The impressive and inspiring spectacle we have witnessed in Hyde Park this morning displays the vigour and efficiency of the civil defence forces of London. They have grown up in the stress of an emergency. They have been shaped and tempered by the fire of the enemy.

In All Ranks and Classes

"We saw them in all their many ranks and classes—casualty services, decontamination squads, fire services, report and control centre staffs, highway and public utility services, and last but not least the police.

"All these we have seen on a lovely English summer morning marching past, men and women in all the pomp and panoply of war—

[Reuter.

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Northern Germany Again Pounded by British Bombers

London, July 14.

It is learned in London that R.A.F. bombers last night attacked objectives in north-west Germany.

"Aircraft of the Bomber Command were again over north-west Germany last night, "states an Air Ministry Communique.

"Although the weather continued to be unfavourable, they attacked industrial targets over a wide area, especially in Bremen and Vegesack. Docks at Amsterdam and Ostend were also bombed and fires were started among oil storage tanks at Rotterdam.

"Aircraft of the Fighter Command on offensive patrol attacked enemy aerodromes in northern France during the night.

"From these operations," concludes the communique, "one aircraft of the Bomber Command is missing."—Reuter.

Small Raids on Britain

Two enemy aircraft were destroyed over Great Britain during the night. Enemy activity continued to be on a small scale. Bombs were dropped at a few places in coastal districts, and in one place in the Midlands. A small number of casualties were reported. Damage was nowhere extensive.—Reuter.

Nazi Air Losses Again Top Hundred Mark

London, July 14.

For the fourth successive week enemy air losses in all theatres of war, except eastern Europe, have topped the century mark.

A total of 135 aircraft was destroyed last week—22 over Britain and 83 over Germany and occupied territory, 30 Axis and Vichy bombers and fighters in the Middle East, and one brought down by the Navy.

The R.A.F. lost 96 planes. The widespread day and night raids over Germany and occupied territory cost 85 planes (but eight pilots are safe), and 11 machines failed to return during Middle East operations. Not one was lost in defending Britain.—Reuter.

British Deny Pact With China Near

London, July 14.

Informed British sources today denied persistent Tokyo rumours that an Anglo-Chinese alliance was on the verge of conclusion. Tokyo reports last week again renewed the old rumour that China and Britain were to form a full-fledged military alliance and that Chinese troops had already entered Burma to aid the British there in possible defence of the area.

These reports had been earlier officially denied by both British and Chinese officials in China.—United Press.

Berlin, Moscow Begin Exchange of Diplomats

Berlin, July 14.

D.N.B., official German news agency, reported from Ankara yesterday that the exchange of German diplomats and refugees from Moscow for Soviet diplomats and civilians from Germany was begun yesterday. The German Ambassador, Count Frederick von der Schulenburg has arrived on Turkish territory, and all Germans will reach Ankara by July 17, D.N.B. stated. The exchange of Italian, French and Rumanian diplomats has also begun.—United Press.

Berlin Says Moscow Government Moving

London, July 14.

The official Berlin radio last night broadcast reports from Ankara claiming that the Soviet Government had informed the foreign diplomatic corps the Government was about to leave Moscow for a place to be announced later. The radio reports said the United States Embassy had left Moscow early Friday, while the British Embassy staff and members of the military mission have been partly evacuated.—United Press.

Montenegro Proclaims Independence

Rome, July 14.

Fascist Italy yesterday formally announced that the Montenegrin National Assembly had decreed its intention of "entering Rome's sphere" and had requested King Victor Emmanuel III to appoint a regent until a Montenegrin monarch had been chosen. Independence of Montenegro was proclaimed on Saturday at Centingne.—United Press.

Anglo-Soviet Pact Does Not Affect Russo-Japan Pact

Moscow, July 14.

THE Anglo-Soviet agreement was described as a document of "great historic significance" by M. Lozovsky, deputy head of the Soviet Information Bureau, at a press conference yesterday.

In reply to a question he said it would not affect either the agreements or undertakings of Britain and Russia towards third Powers.

In other words, he added, "the relations between the U.S.S.R. and Japan remain unchanged as regulated by the Neutrality Pact of April 13."

M. Lozovsky angrily ridiculed Dr. Goebbels' atrocity propaganda against Russian troops, accusing them of the massacre of Ukrainians and Lithuanian priests.

The spokesman added: "If the Huns are so expert in their gruesome descriptions of atrocities it is because they have immense practical Gestapo murder and torture experience."—Reuter.

American Papers Approve

New York, July 14.

The Anglo-Russian agreement "assimilates Russia to the structure of potential Democratic peace," says the New York "Herald-Tribune" in a leader today.

"By bearing Russia into that structure on the same basis as free governments and under the same obligations," the paper states, "it does not narrow but immensely widens both the hope and opportunity which hang on a Democratic victory."

The New York "Times" says: "The pact has a very real value. The present gain is both material and moral. It strengthens the Russian moral to have this clear evidence of British help, and it will bolster British moral to have a Russian promise not to make a separate peace."—Reuter.

Nazi View

Berlin, July 13.

Political circles here are of the opinion that the Anglo-Soviet agreement is completely unimportant as regards the military situation.

"Events have proceeded to such a state that just punishment in the

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Britain, Russia Determined To Tie Up Vast Nazi Army

London, July 14.

GREAT Britain and Soviet Russia pledged themselves to maintain their respective belligerent fronts against Nazi Germany through the Anglo-Russian agreement not to negotiate a separate peace, competent authorities pointed out today.

Both British and neutral sources admitted that the present military position of Soviet Russia, however, was precarious—if the German claims were substantiated—and noted that the most important element in light of the pact was whether or not the Red Army could continue to absorb the shattering German blows and still hold a front, regardless of where it was established, thus tying up huge German forces.

With both Great Britain and Russia committed to bring about the total defeat of the Nazis, they apparently are determined to tie up Chancellor Adolf Hitler with the thing he dreaded most and the thing he had promised his people he would never do—fight on two fronts simultaneously.

In this view, it does not matter where the Russian front is established nor how fluid it may be, but it is vital that it must exist somewhere on the vast plains of Russia as long as Soviet stamina endures.

Britain's front is now confined to heavy bombing attacks on the industrial centres of Germany in an effort to destroy her ability to wage a long two-front war and counter-blockade.

Some sources believe that the mutual assistance clause may envisage aid for Soviet Russia under the United States' Lend and Lease bill if the Soviets begin to suffer shortages of vital materials. It was pointed out that President Roosevelt has not invoked the Neutrality Act in the Russo-German war and as a result American vessels could carry cargoes to Russian ports.

Great Britain probably will not be able to do this immediately, but military and political newspaper commentators have been demanding it as the only way of inflicting a crushing defeat on Germany. It was known here that the British forces in England have been rehearsing invasion operations for a long time.—United Press.

Wiedemann, Other Nazi Consul Miss Japan-bound Ship

Washington, July 14.

The German Consul-General at San Francisco, Captain Fritz Wiedemann, and the German Consul-General at New York, Johannes Borchers, missed their boat for Japan yesterday rather than risk being seized at sea by the British.

They stood by their telephones until almost the last minute before the Japanese lines, Yawata Maru, sailed, but the orders they awaited did not come.

"It all depends upon our safe passage as to when we leave," said one of the Consular officials. "We understand the State Department is negotiating with the British on the matter."

Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, announced on Saturday that the British had guaranteed safe conduct to Axis consular officials travelling from New York to Lisbon in the steamer West Point, but not to those going home via Japan.—Reuter.

Safe Conduct Granted

Washington, July 14.

The British Government has pledged not to interfere with the projected trans-Pacific voyage of Captain Fritz Wiedemann, German Consul-General at San Francisco, and Dr. Johannes Borchers, Consul-General at New York official announcements revealed last night.

The request for a safe conduct for the two German consular representatives, members of their families and their staffs, was made by the State Department, and Great Britain agreed to the request.

Earlier, both Germans cancelled their bookings aboard the Yawata Maru which sailed from San Francisco without them. The bookings were cancelled because the United States had announced that the "safe conduct" guarantee for German consular officials ordered to leave this country would be valid only for American vessels.

To Sail July 31

The transport West Point was scheduled to sail from New York on Tuesday carrying other Axis consular agents.

Capt. Wiedemann told the United Press that he had received orders from the German Embassy at Washington that he and Dr. Borchers would not depart until July 31.

He said that these orders followed the refusal by the master of the Yawata Maru to return to San Francisco and pick up a group of sixteen German consular officials after the belated receipt of the British pledge not to interfere with the Germans crossing the Pacific.

Dr. Borchers is to proceed to Shanghai where he will assume the post of German Consul-General.—United Press.

U.S. Isolationists Demand Removal of Knox From Office

Chicago, July 14.

The America First Committee last night demanded the removal from office of Col. Frank Knox, Navy Secretary, for his "outright advocacy of undeclared war" against the Axis.—United Press.

Knox Hopes

Washington, July 14.

Col. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, in an interview at the end of a year of office, expressed the hope that the policy of aiding Britain would not lead the United States into war.

He added: "But in my eyes, a war of defence against Nazism would be infinitely preferable to peace accomplished by surrender to Hitlerism."

A democratic United States, Col. Knox said, could no longer survive in a Nazi-dominated world.—Reuter.

Tinkham's Charge

Washington, July 14.

Mr. George Tinkham, Republican Representative of Massachusetts, who is an ardent non-interventionist, issued a statement which he said Mr. Winston Churchill had made in Parliament on the march of events in 1938 regarding the strength of the British Navy.

Mr. Tinkham added that only one conclusion could be drawn from this statement—an understanding regarding the pooling of the American and British fleets.

He said that the foregoing plus the occupation by the United States of Iceland "clearly demonstrate that President Roosevelt is pursuing a policy....of armed intervention by the United States in the present war in Europe.—United Press.

Oil Refining Concerns Have Highest Profits

Tokyo, July 14.

Net profits of 294 representative manufacturing concerns, 16 gas and electric utilities in Japan totalled the sum of Y.525,095,000 during six months from September, 1940 to February, 1941, inclusive, according to a survey by the Japan Hypothec Bank. Profit rates averaged 14.2 per cent., decreasing 1 per cent. from the preceding six months.

Of the nine key industries surveyed, oil refining led with a 20 per cent., profit rate, dyeing and weaving came second with 17.5 per cent, and foodstuffs ranked third with 15.9 per cent.—Domei.

Radio Sets in Tientsin To Be Registered

Tientsin, July 13.

With a view to preventing listening in to Chungking Radio whose broadcasts may exert a detrimental influence upon public safety and misinform the population, the Chinese police in Tientsin has received instructions to register all radio sets in the city, according to a proclamation issued by the Mayor of Tientsin today.

Owners of radio sets will have to bring them to the local police stations. Only sets of not more than three tubes will be allowed, more powerful ones being confiscated.—Havas.

Armistice in Syria Approved by Vichy

Vichy, July 14.

The French Government today officially approved the Franco-British armistice for Syria signed on Saturday night at Acre, Syria.—United Press.

Prominent People Speak for China In Washington

Washington, July 14.

David Lu, local representative of the official Chinese Government Central News Agency, last night stressed traditional Sino-American friendship and added that China has been fighting the Democratic nations' battle for four years.

Mr. Lu urged freedom-loving nations to unite and defend Democracy together.

Mr. Lu was one of several foreign writers and actors who spoke to the American nation on a specially prepared radio programme under the auspices of the Treasury Department. The programme was entitled, "America Preferred."

Mr. Lu concluded his address by repeating the statement made on March 18 by Gen. Chiang Kai-shek to President Roosevelt when the Generalissimo stated that the Chinese had been immeasurably heartened by the impressive reaffirmation of the will of the American people to assist them in their struggle for freedom and the resumption of their march toward Democracy.

Among others who spoke with Mr. Lu on this programme were Messrs. Pierre Van Passan, Maurice Maeterlinck, Henri Bernstein, Claude Rains, Miss Edna Ferber and Countess Alexander Tolsky.—United Press.

Sino-British Notes on Extrality Exchanged

Chungking, July 14.

The Chinese and British Government have formally exchanged notes in which Britain agrees to negotiate for abolition of extrality rights, renditions of concessions and revision of treaties on the basis of equality and reciprocity when peace is restored in the Far East, it is announced.

In a note dated July 4 the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, declared: "On instructions from the Foreign Secretary I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that when peace is restored in the Far East His Majesty's Government will be ready to negotiate with the Government of China for abolition of extraterritorial rights, renditions of concessions and revision of treaties on the basis of reciprocity and equality."

In a reply dated July 12, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, Foreign Minister, declared: "I have the honour to state that the Chinese Government highly appreciates this expression of friendship on the part of the British Government."—Reuter.

Italians Warned of Soviet Strength

Rome, July 14.

Sig. Giovanni Ansaldo, noted military commentator, today warned Italians against over-confidence regarding the war between Russia and the Axis, and praised the training, equipment and loyalty of the Russian troops.

Writing in the "Leghorn Telegrafo," which is published by Count Galeazzo Ciano, Foreign Minister, he said that "even the Germans admit that Russian resistance has been fierce and tenacious. The defenders of the Stalin Line give in only because of German technical superiority.

"Even so, German divisions have to work hard for their gains. Many people predicted that we would see the Bolshevik regime collapse after a few days of fighting and they are now becoming somewhat disconcerted by the Russian military efficiency."—United Press.

French Use Iceland As Pretext in Dakar

Lisbon, July 14.

The reinforcement of the defences at Dakar and other African ports under Vichy control now taking place is not due to the American occupation of Iceland, it is understood on excellent authority.

Actually this latter event is being used as a pretext for making these facts public and increasing what has been afoot for a long time past.

It is well known that every effort is being put forward to make ships in these ports seaworthy. Spare parts have been sent and many sailors released for the purpose of forming skeleton crews should the occasion arise.—Reuter.

Inland Rice Prices Drop After Recent Rains

Chungking, July 14.

The timely rains of the past few days has changed the entire complexion of the food situation in Free China, and agricultuarl experts estimate this year's Szechuen crops at 70 per cent. if the rains come again a week from now.

The price of rise has dropped by $20 per picul in Chengtu, while in Anhwei it has dropped to $25 per picul.

Foreign reports from Chengtu state that about one month ago the price of rice in the Szechuen capital rose $02 in one day, jumping from $70 to $90 per new tou (one-tenth of a picul). This sharp rise resulted in great anxiety, but the situation was soon under control when the provincial authorities immediately distributed rice, at a fixed price, to poor people throughout the city.

Latest reports indicate that in Chengtu the price of rice has dropped to $62 per new tou or $620 per picul.

Foreign sources claim that the present drop in the price of rice in Chengtu is largely due to the dumping of rice on the market by these big hoarders.—Reuter.

★ Enemy Bombed More Heavily

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for it is war—and of their civic duties.

"There they marched, and as one saw them marching by, no one could but feel how great is the nation we have the honour to belong to.

"How complex, sensitive and resilient is the society we have evolved over the centuries. Those we saw this morning were representatives of nearly a quarter of a million organized functionals and servants in the defence of London, who in one way or another stood at their post and took active part in the maintenance of the life of London and greater London, in an attack which, when it began and while it was at its pitch was unexampled in history.

Embattled Island

"What we saw today at Hyde Park can be produced throughout the length and breadth of this country—a competent and embattled island (cheers).

"In September last year, having been defeated in his invasion plans by the R.A.F. Hitler declared his intention to raze the cities of Britain to the ground, and in the early days of that month he poured the whole fury of the Hun upon London.

"None of us quite knew what would be the result of a concentrated and prolonged bombardment of this vast centre of the population.

8,000,000 People

"Here in the Thames Valley over eight million people are maintained at a very high level of modern civilization. They are dependent from day to day upon light, heat, power, water, sewerage and communications of a most complicated character.

"The administration of London, in all its branches, was confronted with problems hitherto unknown and unmeasured in all the history of the past.

Huge Tasks

"Public order, public health, maintenance of all essential services, handling of millions of men and women, removal of dead and wounded from shattered buildings, care of wounded when hospitals were being ruthlessly bombed and provision for homeless sometimes amounting to many thousands in single days, and accumulating to many more after three or four days of successive attacks.—all these things, with the welfare and education of a great number of children amid these scenes, presented tasks which, viewed in cold blood beforehand, might well have seemed overwhelming".

The Prime Minister admitted that when the storm broke in September he was for several weeks anxious about what the result would be, and confessed that at the sight, on a cold, rainy and dark evening, of long queues of people, among hem hundreds of young girls in silk stockings and highheeled shoes, waiting for buses and overtaken by the doleful wail of the siren, his "heart bled for London and Londoners".

"The courage and unconquerable grit and stamina of Londoners showed itself from the outset: without that all would have failed, but on that rock we have been unconquerable.....

"The stamina and vigour of London was followed magnificently by the inhabitants of smaller cities when they received the full violence of enemy assaults.

"Perhaps it is our turn now. I believe it is in our power to keep the bombing on Germany going on a steadily rising scale.

"In the last few weeks alone we have thrown upon Germany about half the tonnage of bombs thrown by the Germans upon our cities during the whole course of the war."—Reuter.

Japanese Evacuees From Russia Reach Tokyo

Tokyo, July 14.

Twenty-four Japanese women and children, comprising the first batch of evacuees from Moscow, arrived here today. They included Mrs. Toshiko Tatekawa, wife of the Japanese Ambassador to Russia.

According to Mrs. Tatekawa, their train had to give way many times in the course of the journey to trains bound for Europe. "All trains bound for Europe were apparently carrying a full load of troops, though troop movements seemed limited to as far as central Siberia."

During her six-months' stay in the Soviet capital, Mrs. Tatekawa said she was impressed by the hard-working Soviet women, who not only drove motor cars but swept the streets. Women soldiers had also recently been observed in increasing numbers.—Reuter.

Large Quinine Donation Received in Chungking

Chungking, July 13.

The National Comfort Association recently received from the Welfare Association of the Chinese colony in Batavia a donation of 500 cases of quinne, containing 25,000,000 pills in all, and fourteen cases of medical supplies for surgery, all of which have been distribnted at the front.—Havas.

German Working Wives To Be Taxed

Berlin, July 13.

In order to lighten the financial burden on working wives, the Government, effective from August 1, will introduce a new tax system by which taxes on the incomes of wives will be levied separately from those on the incomes of their husbands, it was revealed.—Domei.

Brenda Marshall Weds

Las Vegas, Nev., July 14.

Miss Brenda Marshal, 24-year-old actress who was born in the Philippines, was married here last night to a fellow Hollywood film player, Mr. William Holden. Mr. Holden, a year younger than his bride, married for the first time, while Miss Marshal married for the second time.—United Press.

Hitler, Goering Quarrel Alleged

London, July 14.

Reports of a violent quarrel between Hitler and his Air Minister, Marshal Goering on the eve of the Nazi attack on Russia were broadcast by the Moscow Radio last night.

Quoting well-informed Stockholm circles, the announcer said: "Goering argued that after the German air losses in the west, in the Balkan campaign and in Crete, the Luftwaffe was unfit for a new campaign.

"Marshal Goering refused to take responsibility for this new drive, Hitler became frenzied, called Marshal Goering a coward, and declared that he himself would take over command of the German air force.

"The disappearance of Marshal Goering's name from the German press, tends to prove the veracity of this report. It is rumoured too that Herr Himmler, chief of the Gestapo, insisited on Goering being put into a concentration camp."—Reuter.

*The Anglo-Soviet Agreement

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shape of the destruction of English plutocracy, as well as Bolshevism, can no longer be doubted," they said.—Domei.

Soviet Satisfaction

Moscow, July 14.

The peoples of the Soviet Union welcomed with a tremendous satisfaction the report on the conclusion of the agreement between the Governments of the U.S.S.R. and Great Britain on the joint action in war against Germany. Workers and employees of all leading enterprises of Moscow, Leningrad, Kharkov, Kiev and other Soviet cities listened with rapt attention to the Government's broadcast announcement.

"The agreement between the U.S.S.R. and Great Britain will accelerate the annihilation of German fascism." This is the unanimous opinion of workers, employees of machine building plant of Proletarsky district of Moscow. Exchanging opinions on the conclusion of the agreement, workers of this plant said, "Great peoples of the Soviet Union and England are united to wage a joint struggle against Hitlerite Germany. Early doom of the bandit Hitler should now be expected."

People Optimistic

At the Moscow station of Yaroslavl railway, during the broadcast all loud speakers were switched on. Over 3,000 passengers of suburban trains were at that time on the platform. "Now Hitler will be pressed by steel pincers" said passengers, and railway men.

Ulyanov a stakhanovite of "Caoutchouc" Works said, "Every Soviet citizen acclaims the agreement concluded between the Governments of the U.S.S.R. and Great Britain. Peoples of England are with us. Like ourselves, they burn with desire to free the world from Hitlerite tyrants. By joint action of the U.S.S.R. and Great Britain, this goal will be achieved." Moscow working people unanimously approve the agreement concluded between the Governments of the U.S.S.R. and Great Britain and express firm confidence in victory of Soviet and British peoples over German Fascism.—Tass.

★Germans Claim Break-Through

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ritory. A decisive turn in the eastern campaign was reached when the Germans pierced the Stalin Line, and the fourth stage of the war—the stage of decision—had been reached in which the Red Army was expected to collapse.

D.N.B., official German news agency, claimed that German tank formations advancing to a point 25 kilometres beyond the Stalin Line had surprised a Soviet tank division and either destroyed or captured 165 enemy tanks.

The Luftwaffe on Saturday destroyed 147 Soviet warplanes, of which 88 were shot down in aerial combat and 59 were destroyed on the ground, accordnig to D.N.B. German losses totalled nine planes. The Luftwaffe also destroyed 77 tanks, 400 motor lorries, several transport trains and 34 guns.

German military quarters said three points should be emphasized at present as a result of the break-through. These were:

Last Prepared Line

1. Germany has conquered the last Soviet prepared line of defence, including the Dnieper river sector, with Kiev now open to a German occupation;

2. German troops have penetrated half the distance to Moscow across the upper course of the Dnieper river to a point 200 kilometres to the east of Minsk. There are no more artificial or natural obstacles now barring the way to Moscow, it was claimed.

3. German troops now menace Leningrad, with the spearhead of German tank units driving to the east of Lake Peipus.

It was claimed that German supply bases have been established on the former Stalin Line so that future advances can be continued without delay.—United Press.

Burma Prepared

Rangoon, July 14.

"The Burmese are ready, and Burma is prepared," declared Sir Reginald Dorman-Smith, Governor of Burma, in a broadcast after an extensive visit to various forces in Burma.

The Governor expressed satisfaction at the conclusion of elaborate defence exercises, and complimented the civilian population for putting up with the inconveniences entailed.—Reuter.

GENERAL Seishiro Itagaki, newly-appointed Commander of the Korean Army and former Chief of the Staff of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China, left Shanghai for Japan on Sunday morning in the Taiyo Maru, local Japanese language papers reported yesterday.

Telephone Workers Said Striking

The situation on the local labour front worsened considerably yesterday as some employees of the Shanghai Telephone Co. failed to appear for work at 230 Medhurst Road. Although the situation there remained obscure yesterday, it was believed that they had joined the strike movement of the China Electric Co. employees. One of the latter, it was learned, was arrested yesterday morning for agitating among the workers of the Shanghai Telephone Co.

The number of strikers was still in the vicinity of 2,000 yesterday, with almost all the old strikes continuing without change. The Foh Shing Tobacco Co., however, had to close down again in the morning as the non-striking female employees rejoined their striking sisters.

It may be recalled that the tobacco factory was first closed on June 26 and was kept so until July 1, because of the damp weather. When the plant reopened, however, the workers struck after making demands for better working conditions. About half of the strikers returned to work six days later and the factory resumed operation on a smaller scale.

Yesterday morning, a general strike broke out again. About 100 female strikers demonstrated near the Municipal Building in the morning, but were dispersed by the police.

Other Strikes Unchanged

There was no change in the strikes at the Clements Apartments, Shriro Bros. in Wetmore Road where 27 workers are on strike, Maxwell Zip Fastener Factory in Route Dufour involving about 350 male and female workers, and among the stocking dyers.

The dispute at the Blue Ribbon Dairy in Tunsin Road took a turn for the better as some strikers resumed work yesterday morning. One of the demands of the strikers was for the dismissal of foreign supervisors.

A new strike was reported yesterday, although the dispute actually broke out on July 12. This is at the Tosca Manufacturers Co., at 1040 Gordon Road, and has involved about 300 male and female workers. The strikers are asking for better working conditions.

N.E.I. German Evacuees Reach Kobe

Kobe, July 14.

A large delegation of resident Germans were on hand here this morning to greet the 358 German women and children evacuees from the Netherlands East Indies on their arrival at 11 a.m. in the N.Y.K. liner Asama Maru.

After a welcome party at the German Club, a group of 60 left for Kyoto.—Reuter.

Widow of Former Japan Envoy to U.S. Gives Stone Pagoda to Navy

Washington, July 13.

Returning the courtesy and goodwill shown by President Roosevelt and the American Government in ordering an American warship to carry back to Japan the remains of the late Mr. Hirosi Saito, former Japanese Ambassador to the United States, who died in Washington on February 26, 1939, a 13-storey stone pagoda, given by Mrs. Miyoko Saito, widow of the Ambassador, was unveiled last week on the campus of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis.

The eight-metre high granite pagoda was sent to Annapolis six months ago by Mrs. Saito as an expression of gratitude for the escort given the casket containing the Ambassador's ashes by the United States cruiser Astoria to Yokohama.

Hearing of the pagoda's erection at Annapolis, Mrs. Saito declared, "It is most delightful news. I am looking forward to receiving a photograph of the pagoda from Ambassador Nomura."—Domei.

Heavy Skirmishes Near Soochow Reported

According to well-authenticated reports reaching Shanghai late last night, about 500 Chinese guerillas attacked Nanking troops, supported by Japanese, last evening, and, at 10 p.m., severe fighting continued. The reports did not state whether the city itself was an objective or whether the guerillas had designs on the railway between Shanghai and Nanking.

Eight Chinese villagers who were wounded several days ago by bullets during fighting in north Kiangsu arrived in Shanghai yesterday and were admitted to two Settlement hospitals. As far as could be ascertained they were injured in or near Jukao where fighting took place on July 9 between the partially disarmed New Fourth Route Army and the "peace army" of Nanking.

Mr. Manuel Fox Back At Hongkong

Hongkong, July 14.

Mr. Manuel Fox, United States representative of the Chinese Currency Stabilization Board, returned to Hongkong this morning from Shanghai.

It was previously reported that Mr. Fox will confer with Sir Alexander Rogers, British representatives, and the three Chinese members of the Board, regarding recommendations to Chungking for the support of the fapi. Mr. Fox, it was understood, will remain at Hongkong one week prior to departing for Chungking.—Domei.

Fierce Resistance Of Soviet Women And Men at Libau

Tokyo, July 13.

A vivid description of the bloody battle which preceded the German occupation of Libau, important port of Latvia, was sent to the "Asahi" by its Berlin correspondent as it was published in the German papers. The correspondent's cable was delayed in transmission.

It was only after five days of furious fighting that Libau was definitively occupied by the Germans, he said. The Red Army had mobilized every imaginable unit in the defence of Libau.

In order to break through the steel ring thrown by the Germans around the town, the Russians made use of amphibian tanks which attacked the German positions at night. Communists disguised as women penetrated into German artillery units and massacred several soldiers.

To crush Soviet resistance it was necessary to destroy every pillbox constructed along the beach.

Flame Throwers

As the Germans entered the town and advanced slowly the fight became more violent, and they were compelled to use the most efficient arms to destroy the defenders, such as new tanks armed with guns, flame-throwers, heavy machine-guns and all available material.

From encircled blocks of buildings a hail of bullets were fired at the Germans. Women continued firing when their husbands were wounded. The whole city was enveloped in flames and it was impossible to see beyond one's own hand.

Even when the city's defences were completely shattered, the Russians continued to resist till the very end. Among the prisoners seen marching through the streets of the city after the battle were a number of armed civilians.

It may truthfully be said the correspondent concluded, that this battle was the most horrible ever seen till now. The city was captured in a river of blood.—Havas Telemondial.

Matsuoka Ill With Fever

Tokyo, July 13.

It is reported here that Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Japanese Foreign Minister, has been ill during the past few days and ran a high fever yesterday.—Havas.

Over 200 Arrested in Gambling Den Raid

After having closed all the big gambling dens in the local "badlands," Commissioner C.C. Pan continued his relentless drive against vice as head of the Western Area Special Police yesterday when he personally conducted a raid at 4.30 p.m. on a small gaming establishment at the corner of Robinson and Kiaochow Roads.

The Shun Yuan Club was selected for attention and a large force of W.A.S.P. men surrounded the den. The actual raiding party consisted of 40 policemen, who were brought to the scene in two vans.

Under the supervision of Commissioner Pan and Deputy Commissioner J. B. Clissold, the party arrested over 200 gamblers and seized a huge quantity of gambling paraphernalia. It is understood that the arrested persons will be brought up before the Nantao District Court this morning.

Japanese Gendarme Shot in Pootung

Tension reigned in Pootung last night after a Japanese, believed to be a gendarme was shot and wounded. Strict precautionary measures were soon carried out by the military and many persons who cross the Whangpoo daily were either delayed and prevented from landing. No details regarding the shooting could be obtained but a Pootung resident who was stranded in the Settlement said that when he was prevented from landing at Pootung he saw hundred of persons lined up in a street presumably waiting for officers to search them.

Shortly after 7 p.m. a wounded Japanese was brought across the Whangpoo from Pootung and he was landed near the Public Garden. The case was reported to the Settlement police who made investigations. An ambulance also was sent but the wounded man was taken to a military hospital in Yangtszepoo later.

Australia to Produce New Radio Equipment

Melbourne, July 14.

The production of radio-location equipment in Australia will begin immediately, Mr. McEwen, Australian Minister for Air and Civil Aviation, announced today. Thousands of persons will be employed.—Reuter.

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Why There Can Never Be A British Hitler

WHILE analyzing the characteristics of the British, comparing their outlook with the German outlook and making comparisons between British and Nazi culture, "A Frenchman," broadcasting over Radio Station XCDN yesterday on the occasion of France's Bastille Day, made the interesting observation that Great Britain could never produce a Hitler; "he would have been smothered at birth." Following is the speech entitled "The English" as broadcast yesterday:—

I am going to tell my British listeners tonight, as a Frenchman..and friend, just one or two things about that "small" group of islands in the Northern Hemisphere, somewhere to the N.W. of Europe, and commonly called the British Isles. This somewhat terse description is quite correct—as far as it goes—if I explain, and I hasten to do so, that the appelation "small" applies only to the territory involved. It has no relation whatever to the moral stature of the inhabitants, with which I principally wish to deal.

It is obviously in times of great stress, such as these, that a nation's character is put to the full test and its virtues exhibited as well as its faults, and these find their true expression in the attitude of the people, and the manner in which they are kept informed by their leaders.

A Revealing Proverb

As to the attitude of the people, proverbs are sometimes more than mere wise rules drawn up from long experience. Occasionally, they typify some special virtue in the make-up of a nation, and in this connection I can think of no more proud or self-revealing utterance than "An Englishman's home is his castle." In France the saying is "A charcoal-burner is master in his own house," but it is not so widely used, nor has it such a deep significance as its English counterpart which seems to embody some of the principles of Magna Charta (and that's going a long way back) with, in addition, a statement to the world at large which practically amounts to a challenge.

An Englishman goes about his business....free, proud, independent, and pleased with himself. He does his duty, pays his taxes, honours his King, and his castle belongs to him and to none else And when an entire nation becomes imbued with the same spirit, it is not difficult to assess the tremendous force this represent. True, the poor old castle is being battered about quiet a lot these days; tens of thousands of civilians have been killed in Great Britain and many more wounded since the Boche began his wilful work of destruction. Try for a moment to imagine what that represents in lucky escapes, terrifying episodes, heroic deeds....and sorrow. It is simply unimaginable. But still the spirit remains. No thought of submission, no knuckling down to the foul aggressor, however severe his blows may be. Only the hardened determination of brave men and women to see this thing through to the bitter end, and have done with it once and for all.

Of course I do not pretend to sum up the whole British character in one short proverb, however aptly it may illustrate love of freedom and independence. There is much more to it than that. Nor can I in so short a time, analyze what are, to my mind, the Englishman's chief qualities....and his faults, but there is one other trait on the credit side of his make-up to which I wish to draw attention, and that is his abhorrence of all that is false and untrue.

The fundamental principle of his upbringing, in his home and at school, is "speak the truth whatever the consequences," and the consequences, when applied by paterfamilias or the headmaster are not likely to be easily forgotten. To call a man a liar is about the worst offence imaginable. You may say that it is so too in other lands and that nowhere is lying condoned, but there is no country in the world where more shame attaches to the commission of a deliberate lie and indeed, where truth is more generally upheld than in England. She never could have produced a Hitler. He would have been smothered at birth.

Admiration for Churchill

Please do not suppose that I have stressed this point, more easily to explain the straightforward dealing which the Englishman expects and receives from his leaders in war time. This is not so though it does offer me an opportunity of expressing the admiration which all Frenchmen feel for your great Prime Minister, Winston Churchill. He has always been popular in France where he frequently used to sojourn in the good old days. We have faith in his promises. We believe in him and we envy you in possessing such a fearless and outspoken leader, a leader of free and thinking men, to whom he speaks as he does because he knows you are able "to meet with Triumph and Disaster and treat those two impostors just the same" ....not a leader of so many sheep, as others have turned out to be. He inspires one with his own courage and determination, not by wily means or by lullabies, and certainly not by bombastic declarations, but by stating the plain naked truth, however painful it may be, as last year in June. But he will have more joyous news to announce some day. Be patient and bear that in mind.

When we consider the other warring nations, what strikes one by contrast, as extraordinary, is that notwithstanding the mass of official reports and so-called information issued from, say, Berlin and Rome, one can obtain no very exact idea of the attitude of the peoples of Germany and Italy towards the War. We read with eagerness whatever views are published by travellers returning from either country, and we can make a pretty good guess of the situation, but still we find it difficult to form a really correct picture of what the ordinary man there may think: is he resolute and confident of victory, what are his reactions to bombing from the air, and what does he really think of the men who direct his destiny?—all questions, the answers to which can be readily supplied as regards Great Britain.

It almost seems as though the War in these enemy countries is being waged solely by order of those at the helm, whilst in England it is a matter in which the nation and its leaders, united and in full agreement, are one and all playing their part. Who ever heard of Hitler visiting Cologne and Dusseldorf, or of Il Duce spending, midst popular acclamation, the afternoon in Naples just now?

Nazis and Their Kultur

There is another point I wish to refer to. We have heard much lately about this so-called New Order in Europe which the Nazi wishes to introduce and which would change the face of the world if he had his way. Hitherto, our civilization has developed step by step and the Nazi assumes today that he has attained to so high a stage in the civilized state that it entitles him to take the lead and make innovations.

We all have a general idea of what the word civilization means. Many will no doubt affirm that it implies a high degree of literary culture, great scientific achievements, together with predominance in the Arts, such as music, painting and the like. Now, I do not pretend that such attainments are not the attributes of a civilized race—they certainly are, but more is required—nor do I for a moment suggest that Great Britain could not well stand comparison with other nations in all these respects. Remember: in the literary sphere you still have Shakespeare, though the Boche has tried to annex him, and chronologically at the other end of the long line of men of letters there is P.G. Wodehouse who, though a prisoner in Germany, stands no chance of being claimed by the humour-lacking Boche ....and I won't mention Bernard Shaw as he will never know anything about this broadcast!

Whilst in the field of science, although there has always been a harmful tendency in England to acclaim the German as supreme, what about Britain's achievements in regard to the magnetic mine, the production of aeroplanes....getting better and better....or of new bombs and explosives....getting worse and worse—it all depends on the viewpoint—and many other matters in all of which you have fairly surpassed the Boche, though for years his men of science have been working on all these problems whilst you only took them up seriously when forced to do so, through the need of self-preservation, and by way of repartee.

What is Civilization?

To my mind a nation is civilized:

In proportion to the manner in which it treats its womenfolk.

In proportion to the manner in which it cares for dumb animals.

In proportion to the manner in which it looks after its criminals—not the hardened sinner (though he too is entitled to commiseration) but the poor misguided creature who has never had a chance in life.

In proportion to the manner in which it looks after the weakminded and the insane.

I have not placed these requisites of the civilized being in any order of importance, nor am I going to attempt to answer the question as to the extent to which the Englishman excels in any of these matters: I will leave it to you to work out your general average and I fancy that if you do so, and especially if you are able to compare marks in your mind with those of other nations known to you, you will have no reason to be dissatisfied at the standard you have attained, nor will you be jealous in regard to the ranking due to the Boche.

I must now conclude. Today is the 14th of July, the French National Festival. We used to celebrate together on this day, but it is not so now: a great wave of misunderstanding has arisen between our two nations—a tragic break that it will be hard to repair. But one thing is certain. Great changes which we cannot even foretell will follow the present indescribable chaos. A New Order (not Hitler's) will finally arise. It will be built on mutual consent and goodwill and on the love of Peace. If it is to endure, and it must, possibly for centuries as we hope, the tribulations under which France suffers through the fault of a few must be cleared away and our two nations must come together once more and for all time. This is the ardent wish of all True Frenchmen.

French Community Here Observe July 14 Quietly

Shorn of its customary colour, Le Quatorze Juillet was nevertheless fittingly celebrated yesterday in Shanghai when the local French community took part in three separate ceremonies. This year's subdued observances were held in accordance with the wishes of Marshal Philippe Petain, Chief of the French State.

M. Henri Cosme, French Ambassador to China, was the central figure in two of the functions as he placed wreath on the Monument des Morts at the Pahsienjao Cemetery and presided at the salute to the French flag at the French Consulate-General. In the remaining function of the day, M. Roland de Margerie, French Consul-General in Shanghai, was host to local French residents at the Consulate.

The first observance of the fall of the Bastille, 152 years ago, took place at the Pahsienjao Cemetery. The Monument des Morts was draped with French flags and a long guard of honour, comprising some 200 men from the French Municipal Police and French army and naval units stationed here, formed a long line on each side of the pathway leading to the monument. After passing the continuous line of men at "present arms," M. Cosme placed a wreath at the French memorial.

Roll of Honour Read

Present at this ceremony were M. de Margerie and Captain A. Plessis, President of the Legion of War Veterans in Shanghai. The latter took an active part in the ceremony at the cemetery, reading out the roll call of those who had sacrificed their lives for France.

The scene then shifted to the grounds of the French Consulate-General. To the notes of massed bugles, the tricolour was unfurled. The salute was taken by M. Cosme, M. de Margerie, Col. Eissautier, Commander of French Forces in China, Commander R. de St. Georges, Commander of French Naval Forces in Shanghai, and Capt. A. Plessis.

French boy scouts and war veterans of the first World War were in attendence at both ceremonies.

Immediately afterwards, members of the French community attended the reception at the French Conculate-General. Here, uniforms of the army, naval and police representatives were in prominence amid a huge gathering that filled the reception room to capacity. The highlight of the function was a speech by M. de Margerie and the toast of loyalty which he proposed and was heartily drunk by those present.

A special July 14 broadcast at 7 p.m. over Station XCDN brought the celebrations of a quiet French National Day to an end.

Lieut.-Col. D. Curtis

Colonel D. Curtis Executive Officer Of 4th Marines

The new executive officer of the U.S. Fourth Marines, Lieutenant-Colonel Donald Curtis, arrived in Shanghai on August 27, 1940. At that time he was assigned to duty as Commanding Officer, Second Battalion, and held this post until last April when he was transferred to the Regimental Commander's Staff. On July 1 he was assigned as executive officer of the Fourth Marines, succeeding Lieutenant-Colonel C. A. Wynn, who has since departed for the United States.

A short history of Colonel Curtis follows:—

Was in Shanghai Before

After graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1917 he served at various posts on the East Coast of the United States. He served aboard the battleship U.S.S. New York from 1919 to 1921. He was at Pearl Harbour, Hawaii, from 1925 to 1927. In 1930 and 1931 he was with the 25th and 26th companies of the Fourth Marines in Shanghai. During this tour he had the additional duty as basketball officer of the Fourth Marines. He served aboard the U.S.S. Houston, then flagship of the U.S. Asiatic Fleet during the latter part of 1931 and early part of 1932, returning again to the Fourth Marines in February 1932.

Served in Washington

In November 1933 he returned to the U.S. aboard the U.S.S. Houston. In 1934 and 1935 he served in the Judge Advocate General's department of the Navy Department in Washington. In 1935 and 1936 he attended the Marine Corps Schools at Quantico, Virginia. In 1936 and 1937 he was with the Second Battalion, Fifth Marines in Quantico. From 1937 until June 18 1940, when he was detached to return to the Fourth Marines, he was an Assistant Adjutant and Inspector, at Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps, in Washington, D.C.

Students' Song Recital Well Received

On Saturday a pleasant student recital was arranged by Mme. Bella Resek, presenting her pupils to their friends at the beautiful home of Mrs. Lilian Kiang on Rue Maresca.

A lengthy programme of thirty-three songs included those both small and great, of nearly every mood, with a piano solo played at the beginning of each half with assurance and taste by Miss Betty Yang. Most of the first half of the programme was devoted to beginners who presented songs of surprising length and difficulty. Breath-control, diction, sustained passages and flexibility were apparent, with often a real quality of tone.

Two Schubert songs, done by a sixteen-year-old voice of warm, mellow timber, seemed of much greater maturity. A long and meticulous tale of gypsy life produced some fine tones in climax. Godard's lovely Chanson Florian was done in clear and careful French. The Misses Ruth Woo, Florence Kiang, Lillian Wang, Ling Ling-zau Li Zo-tong, Rosy Tong in two comfortable songs of ballad type, with Mrs. Lydia Moo and others gave the first part of the programme.

More Advanced Pupils

The second half introduced the more advanced pupils; the Misses Chen Ping Tsung, Peggy Chang, Mrs. Lillian Kiang, the hostess, and Miss Winifred Allan. Arias from operas and the more exacting songs were done with taste and an unforced clarity of tone, delightful to hear. The old days of strident hard tone and metallic interpretation seem to be passing; and the joyous freedom of vocal expression becoming established. Miss Allan's charming appearances in "Orpheus" and in "Merrie England" will be remembered.

The more difficult accompaniments of the second part, played with much delicacy and grace by Mr. Walter Goldmann, added greatly to the works presented. Mme. Resek's continued support at the piano throughout the first part of the programme no doubt gave much confidence to the younger pupils and to her is due the inspiration of this pleasant event.—E.W.D.

"Taking Over" of Foreign Mills Advert, Said Hoax

AN advertisement appearing in a leading new regime daily in Shanghai asserting that since the No. 2 and No. 9 Sung Sing Cotton Mills, both foreign-owned, were owned by the "old government" and, therefore, would be transformed into "state-owned" enterprises as from August 1 of this year, might be a hoax arranged by some cotton speculators, who were willing to see prices of cotton drop to their own advantage was revealed by independent inquiries made by a "North-China Daily News" reporter yesterday. The advertisement caused the British owners of the No. 9 Sung Sing Cotton Mill to advertise in foreign and Chinese dailies here yesterday through their lawyers, Messrs. Platt, White-Cooper reaffirming the British ownership of that cotton mill, which is a limited company.

The advertisement which appeared in the "Central China Daily News" on Sunday and yesterday was printed by the "No. 9 and No. 2 Sung Sing Cotton Mill Receiving Committee" without mentioning the name of any official organization under the new Nanking regime. But it was asserted in the advertisement that the mills were operated by the "old government." It was stated that "we have hereby been ordered to take over those two mills making them state-controlled enterprises as from August 1." It was not stated just who had "ordered" the committee to take over the mills. The advertisement asked all those who had business connections with the two mills to clear up their accounts before July 25 of this year.

No Negotiations

Authoritative quarters interviewed by the reporter revealed, however, that no negotiations had ever taken place over the question of taking over the foreign-owned mills. They pointed out that the name of an official organization did not appear in the advertisement and that the only conclusion that could be drawn from such an advertisement was that some people, who had been speculating in the market, might have inserted that advertisement so to cause people to sell, thereby making prices drop. It was even rumoured that many cotton brokers had received similar notices. The foreign mills will go on with their business as usual.

The Chungking press in Shanghai expressed indignation yesterday over the advertisement. It was contended that the No. 2 and No. 9 Sung Sing Cotton Mills were transferred to Hongkew, the Cotton Mills in (Western District) and Sung Sing Mill in Wusih were destroyed or taken over as a result of the hostilities. The No. 2 and No. 9 mills in Shanghai were the only ones out of nine Sung Sing Cotton Mills in operation, it was said.

It was admitted in the new regime's press circles last night that Nanking had not issued any orders for taking over the foreign cotton mills in Shanghai. Nanking was investigating the matter, it was said.

War Savings Week Total Reaches Nearly £40,000

The appeal for "War Savings Investment Week," from July 9 to July 16 produced up to yesterday the sum of nearly £40,000, as will be seen by a glance at the graph which appears in this paper every day.

Included amongst the depositors are the following: Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., £5,000; The Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf Co. Ltd., £5,000; Shanghai Dockyards Ltd., £5,000; an elderly Indian Watchman Ch.$100.

Various other amounts have also been received of from £1,000 down to £1, also sums ranging from Ch.$10,000 down to Ch.$5.

In addition to the above, the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China and the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation will be supporting the Fund to the extent of £5,000 each, and the Shanghai Land Investment Co. Ltd., will also be contributing Ch.$100,000.

Safest Investment

Attention is drawn to the fact that the money will be invested in 2½ per cent. National War Bonds, and thereby lent to the British Government, the safest investment possible at this time. The reason why the Association invests in 2½ per cent. National War Bonds and not in 3 per cent. Defence Bonds and Savings Certificates, is because the 2½ per cent. National War Bonds do not require individual registration and can be held in unlimited quantities. All money held by the Association in these Bonds is invested in the names of nominees of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, in London.

With regard to the 3 per cent. Defence Bonds and Savings Certificates, individual registration is necessary in both cases and in addition no one individual can hold in his name more than £1,000 in the 3 per cent. Defence Bonds, nor more than £500 in Savings Certificates.

All big businesses in Shanghai are asked to lend their aid to the appeal by investing such reserves as they cannot use at the present time and lend them to the Government, and thereby help to give immediate and substantial aid from Shanghai to the cause.

Only a Loan

The Shanghai War Savings Association are only asking you to lend, and the money will be refunded with accumulated interest at the conclusion of the war.

The number of contributors is now 1,347, being an increase of 157 since June 30, 1941.

Lend with all your might, and help to back up the efforts of those who are in the midst of the dangers of the war. Their sacrifices are tremendous and it is up to us to back up these sacrifices.

Contributions are to be sent to the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, 18 The Bund, for the credit of the Shanghai War Savings Association.

Alleged Informer Shot By Armed Gangsters

Chou Keh-ching, believed to have been a police informer, was shot and seriously wounded on Stone Bridge Road, near Sinza Road, at 11.05 a.m. yesterday. Another Chinese, Chu Zao-fah, was wounded in the chest by stray bullets. Both were taken to the Paulun Hospital in an S.F.B. emergency ambulance, with Chou, who was hit in the abdomen, reported to be in a serious condition.

The attack was perpetrated by two armed Chinese, who made their escape before the arrival of the police. The gunmen fired five shots, it was learned, with three wounding Chou. The other victim, who was passing near the scene at the time of the shooting, was hit by the other two bullets.

Many Make Use of Public Library

In his report for June, the Librarian of the S.M.C. Public Library, states:—

A total of 16,533 books were lent during the month for home reading. Adult fiction issued was approximately 60 per cent. of the circulation. Books dealing with the sciences, the arts, history, biography, travel and classical literature showed increased use. Five hundred and fighty-nine Chinese books and 910 magazines were also lent.

The records showed that 6.641 persons were doing reading and reference work in the Library during the month. Additions of new books last month were 49 volumes.

The Library now has 1,493 subscribers of whom there are 344 Chinese, 718 foreign, 346 Chinese students and 85 foreign students.

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A copy of this Offer for Sale has been duly delivered to the Registrar of Companies, Shanghai, for registration.

The Subscription List will open at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 16th July, 1941, and close at 10.30 a.m. on the same day.

Application has been made to the Committee of the Shanghai Stock Exchange for an official quotation of the Debentures now offered.

G. E. MARDEN & COMPANY, LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances of Hongkong)

SHARE CAPITAL ISSUED:
125,000 Ordinary Shares of Taels 10 each . . Tls. 1,250,000 (C.N.$1,748,251.75)

LOAN CAPITAL ISSUED:
15 year Debentures . . C.N.$3,000,000

OFFER OF
$3,000,000 5½% 15 Year Debentures at 96½%

OF WHICH
$1,000,000 have been applied for and will be allotted in full.

The Debentures were created by a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company dated 10th July, 1941.

The Company's Articles permit borrowing at the discretion of the Directors.

Interest on the Debentures will be payable half-yearly on the 31st December and 30th June. The first payment of interest will be made on 31st December, 1941, in respect of the period from 16th July, 1941. The debentures will be issued in the following denominations:—Dollars 10,000; 5,000; 1,000; 500; 100.

This issue will be redeemed at par on the 30th day of June, 1956, but the Company reserves the right to redeem the whole (but not a part) of the debentures at any time at 105% thus accrued interest upon giving at least six months' previous notice.

The debentures will be secured by a Trust Deed in favour of the Yangtsze Insurance Co., Ltd., assigning specifically B. C. Lots 9334, 3847, 3815 and U.S. Lots 1419 and 2980 together with the buildings thereon as described in the report by Messrs. Berents and Sandor set out hereinafter, together with a floating charge on the whole of the remaining assets of the Company.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION
and
BENJAMIN & POTTS

offer for sale the remaining C.N.$2,000,000 5½% debentures at 96½% payable in full on application.

The following letter has been received from Mr. G. E. Marden, M.C., Managing Director of the Company, and Chairman of Messrs. Wheelock & Co., Ltd.

2 French Bund, Shanghai,
10th July, 1941.

Dear Sirs,

Messrs. G. E. Marden & Co., Ltd., was incorporated in 1930 with an issued capital of Taels 750,000.00 and are successors to the private Company of the same name which was incorporated in January, 1925. The Company carries on the business of Customs Brokers, Forwarding Agents, Haulage Contractors, Removal Contractors, Ferry Boat Operators and Warehousemen. By an exchange of ordinary shares in 1933 the Company became and still remains a wholly owned subsidiary of Messrs. Wheelock & Co., Ltd. The Company's original Loan capital which consisted of Tls. 500,000 6% Debentures was paid off in full on the 31st December, 1940, and no charge of any description is outstanding against the Company. In April of this year a further 50,000 shares of Taels 10 each were issued for cash the proceeds being used for the purchase of godown properties.

The purpose of the issue of C.N.$3,000,000 5½% debentures which you are purchasing is to provide funds for additional purchases of land and godown property, and for development and/or redevelopment.

To this end a contract has been entered into in the ordinary way of business with Messrs Yung Ching & Co., 227/10 Shantung Road, Shanghai, through Messrs. Wheelock & Co., Ltd., for the purchase of B. C. Lots 168 and 491 situated on Broadway East, having an area of Mow 12.835 and being partly developed with godowns and shops. The amount payable in cash to the vendor is C.N.$1,250,000 which will be provided from the proceeds of the present issue. Messrs. Wheelock & Co., Ltd., derive neither commission nor profit from the transaction.

The following is a copy of a report given by the Company's Auditors, Messrs. Thomson & Co., Chartered Accountants, as to the profits and dividends of the Company: "Gentlemen:—In connection with the proposed issue of Three million 5½% debentures, we report that the profits of the Company (including dividends and interest received from Subsidiary Companies) for the three financial years ended 31st December, 1940 (the last date to which accounts have been made up) are as set out below:

		Profit	Dividend paid
Year ending December	1938	$453,589.82	$375,000
" " "	1939	622,389.93	525,000
" " "	1940	985,594.57	750,000

The results for the first quarter of the current year show a substantial improvement over the corresponding period for 1940.

We are, Gentlemen,
Yours faithfully,
THOMSON & CO.,
Chartered Accountants.

The following is a copy of a report by Messrs. Hans Berents, B.SC., and H. Sandor, Members of the Shanghai Land Valuers' and Surveyors' Society:

No.	Location	Title Deed	Land Area Mow	Development	Value C.N.$
1 147	Yangtzepoo Road,	B. C. Lot 9334	6.594	2 × 5 Storied reinforced concrete godowns (A. & B.) 1 × 3 Storied reinforced concrete godown (C) 1 Iron and glass roof over the yard	3,463,000.00
2A 71/2	Lane 284, Baikal Road				
	296, " "	B. C. Lot 3847	3.064	3 × 1 Storied brick godowns	
B 70	" 294, " "	U. S. Lot 1419	0.629	1 Iron roof shed 1 × 2 Storied, godowns of Fire Resisting Construction	475,000.00
3 110,	Macgregor Road	B. C. Lot 3815	7.238	10 × 1 Storied brick built and iron roof godowns	917,000.00
4 1087,	East Yuhang Road	U. S. Lot 2980	6.060	4 × 1 Storied brick godowns 1 × 2 Storied brick godowns	312,000.00
					$5,167,000.00

We have examined the above properties and appraised the land according to present market prices; we have valued the buildings according to present replacement cost less depreciation; therefore, we consider the amounts set on the respective properties as their fair market values.

(*Signed*) H. BERENTS,
HUGO SANDOR,
Members, Shanghai Land Valuers' and Surveyors, Society.

In addition to the properties intended to be specifically assigned to the Trustees in respect of this present issue, further freehold property of an appraised value of One and three quarter Million dollars is owned by the Company, no part of the purchase price of which is to be provided from the proceeds of the present issue.

Yours faithfully,
G. E. MARDEN,
Managing Director, G. E. Marden Co., Ltd.
Chairman, Wheelock & Co., Ltd.

The following Contract, other than those in the ordinary way of business, has been entered into in the past two years: Between the Company and Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and Benjamin & Potts for the sale of the present issue.

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THE YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION LTD.

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VUNG KWE SONG.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

AUDITORS:
THOMSON & Co., *Chartered Accountants.*

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS:
PLATT, WHITE-COOPER & Co.

SECRETARIES:
WHEELOCK & Co., LTD.

MANAGER:
W. J. HAWKINGS

REGISTERED OFFICES:
125 Hankow Road.

The customary brokerage will be paid on allocations made in respect of applications through members of the Shanghai Stock Exchange. Applications for the debentures must be in multiples of $1,000 and must be made on the accompanying form and forwarded together with the full amount applied for to the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation. Debentures will be issued by the Company in exchange for Banker's receipt and Letters of Allocation, when ready.

By an Agreement dated 11th July, 1941, The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and Messrs. Benjamin & Potts have agreed to purchase the debentures. The price payable is at the rate of 94%. The Agreement provides that all expenses of the issue, other than legal charges, shall be borne by the purchasers.

A draft (subject to modification) of the Trust Deed to secure the debentures, copies of the Contracts mentioned above, the reports of the Auditors and the Valuers and the memorandum articles of the Company, may be seen at the offices of the Secretaries, 2 French Bund, Shanghai, during ordinary business hours.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION
BENJAMIN & POTTS

SHANGHAI, 14th July, 1941.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters for this column should be addressed to THE EDITOR, NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS OFFICE, 17 THE BUND, SHANGHAI. *To ensure secrecy, mark correspondence "Letters to The Editor."*

The Flood Problem:

A Remedy Suggested

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Saturday morning. The heavy rain is here again so the floods are with us. Stand by all you unfortunates who are living in the flood-infested areas, if you have not bought your rubber boots yet, buy them before the profiteers put up the prices again. Set aside capital for all kinds of repairs, damage, sickness to family and servants, etc., etc. Don't let the different surcharges levied by the utility companies or the extra taxes worry you, that's legitimate, it has been agreed to by the Municipal Council. As I said, don't worry, the band will keep on playing. Numerous suggestions to prevent the street floods have been forthcoming (one of them I particularly liked, the one which suggested the doctors should go into consultation and tell the patient if this disease is curable or not) and I ask you to permit me to add another suggestion of prevention against the floods.

The newspapers have had something to say in the matter, but it finished up in the operation being too expensive. I am not a qualified Municipal Engineer but I have had a lot to do with water in my day. I'm just a sailor. I have had to do with this town for over forty years and have been connected with a considerable amount of river construction work, so I can't help having gained a little experience in that line. I suppose the learned people would call me a layman. O.K., go ahead, call me that!

In the past we used to get floods in Shanghai, but only when the Yangtze and consequently the Whangpoo water level was raised by a typhoon added by heavy rain, but as the river ebbs and flows twice in 24 hours, we had relief when the river was ebbing. Our worst floods took place when a typhoon struck or was passing just to the eastward or over the Yangtze delta. I need not go into explanation why; anybody who knows the laws of a typhoon will understand, and those who don't—well it has got nothing to do with what I wish to say.

Rain floods in Shanghai have been particularly bad the last four or five years due to an uncontrolled filling up of all kinds of waterways in the surrounding country of Shanghai. Yangkingpang creek (now Avenue Edward VII) and its continuation was filled up a considerable number of years ago but due to foresight by the people in charge and also to a well-filled exchequer the work was satisfactory.—During latter years Zikawei creek has been filled in over a distance of two miles from the Whangpoo. I have not been inquisitive enough to find out the size of culverts used but I am sure they are not what they should be. The Chinese authorities, who took a lot of management upon themselves previous to our little" incident" in Shanghai, are principally to blame for this. In addition to this, many other creeks and smaller waterways which were out of the control of the city management have been put out of action merely to gain land to build factories and other buildings on the outskirts of Shanghai, and this is the main cause for our frequent floods.

I, however, wish to say that those who were responsible for the construction of the controlled roads outside the International Settlement gave very little thought and used very little foresight to the construction of proper outlets from the controlled areas. The drains from these roads had to find its own way through small waterways and low places. These places are now extinct.

A couple of years ago I read a report from the head in charge of affairs concerning these matters, when it was claimed that the non-dredging of the Whangpoo was partly to blame for floods. I have seldom heard a more feeble excuse. You people who believed this, and there are still many who do so, forget it.

The Whangpoo today can take as large ships up and down the river as ever before the period of neglected dredging and more water is passing over a cross-section of the Whangpoo during the ebb tide in a few minutes than all the floods of the year can provide.

We have been told it is too costly a job to do anything owing to the poor state of finances. I quite believe this, particularly if it is suggested that new and large culverts be substituted for what we have, but I venture to suggest something which I'm sure will relieve us to a great extent until such time as Shanghai can afford to pay for more extravagant constructions. The cost of this would be very insignificant if the cost of damage and repairs caused by floods today to the Municipality as well as to private people be taken into consideration.

The last flood in Shanghai, which started on June 25, was particularly bad in the Western district. Apparently the Municipal Council has succeeded in improving matters round the Racecourse district somewhat. My suggestion is this—that semi-surface spillways be constructed in several places leading into the Soochow creek. These spillways need only be 2 to 3 feet deep and need not be put down in the roadway but along the pavement. They can be constructed partly open, covered with concrete slabs, or in places where the level is higher with 8 inch drain pipes. These semi-surface spillways should be connected with the inlets to the culverts, so when the culverts overflow the majority of the overflow passes through these spillways. This I am sure will clear the road surface in a very short time.

These spillways should be made over the shortest distance to Soochow creek through Edinburgh, Jessfield, Medhurst, Park and Fukien Roads.

I know someone will say this can't be done. This is not practical. This is not sufficient, I still say it will be a great assistance and will relieve Shanghai in places where water now remains four or five days after the rain stops.

In the last flood I took the trouble to sound the bilge, the water was above the road surface for over three days. I found by soundings that the water decreased only during the nights and during the day there was no noticeable fall. This goes to prove that the Shanghai culverts are only able to relieve Shanghai of more water they get from the taps of the community provided them by the Waterworks.

If I have not been explicit enough I'll give the reader an example. Take a good-sized tub with an outlet in the bottom of, say, one inch diameter. If you try to fill this tub you will not succeed except by such great force that it will overcome the outlet, but if you stop or partly stop the outlet the tub will fill up. Now bore ½ an inch hole in the tub 3 inches from the brim and the water will remain below the brim because you have a semi-surface spillway.

P. T.

Shanghai, July 12.

War Savings:

Mr. Churchill's Income Tax

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—As it is "Shanghai's War Savings Week," it was very interesting to read in the N.C.D.N.'s issue on Friday July 11 a paragraph re Mr. Churchill's salary. It was to the effect that out of a salary of £10,000 he has to pay £6,832 in taxes. This is certainly "food for thought" for our local Britons, especially the wealthy ones.

Here we are not taxed (I pray that we were), and the "Shanghai War Saving's Association" is making an appeal for an investment (not a gift or tax); so it's high time a decent response was made to this appeal. After all, if we lose this war, all British businesses and investments here or anywhere would be of no value to their owners. I expect the local Gestapo have checked up faithfully here.

Being paid in local currency myself, I am unable to invest in War Bonds, but I prefer to give as much as possible to the Voluntary War Fund.

MATELOT.

Shanghai, July 13.

P.S.—I hope there are some Britons in Shanghai with a "conscience," and bust that N.C.D.N.'s thermometer.

Seymour Road Market:

An Alternative Wanted

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—As you are doubtless aware there is a very busy and popular market in Seymour Road. It supplies the needs of Chinese and foreign residents in the Bubbling Well area.

It was thought by everyone that this was a Municipal Market, but now, according to general rumour and also articles in certain newspapers, we hear that it is privately-owned.

I cannot hear of any provision being made for a substitute market and until something is arranged in this respect the S.M.C. should refuse to allow any change in present conditions. It is a shame that the thousands of people who throng this place every day should be deprived of this amenity.

Will the Municipal Council issue immediately a statement on the position stating what steps they have taken to provide an alternative site? It is inconceivable that nothing has been arranged.

MARKETER.

Shanghai, July 11.

To Dog Lovers:

Plea for More Care

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Following up SOUTHDOWN's letter "Care of Ponies in Summer" in Thursday's issue, please let me put in a word for care of dogs in summer as well. If dog owners would not leave the care of their dogs to untrained, careless coolies much unpleasantness to onlookers as well as hardship to the dogs could be avoided.

During the stifling heat on Thursday morning I was walking behind a coolie on Route Pichon; he had a liver and white, old spaniel—clipped and covered with mosquito bites, on a very short leash. He insisted on walking the dog in the middle of the road. Its muzzle was so tight-fitting that it could not open its mouth, and when I released the muzzle the dog lay down gasping for breath. Such an outing could hardly be a pleasure to any dog, while from the point of view of giving the dog a run the coolie might as well have gone out by himself.

This is but one case of many that I could quote and from what I see on my daily tramps I have come to the conclusion that far too many dogs are at the mercy of Chinese servants who do not know how to handle sensitive and excitable animals. Dogs are charming to us always, they have a short life, and it is the duty of dog lovers, as all owners should be, to see they are well cared for.

A. R.

Shanghai, July 12.

The Second Birth:

A Book Suggested

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In response to TRUTHSEEKER's letter may I suggest he read "The Varieties of Religious Experience" by William James.

While the above will provide the descriptive material, the books by Franklin W. Sears may suggest to the correspondent a scheme for achieving the "Second Birth."

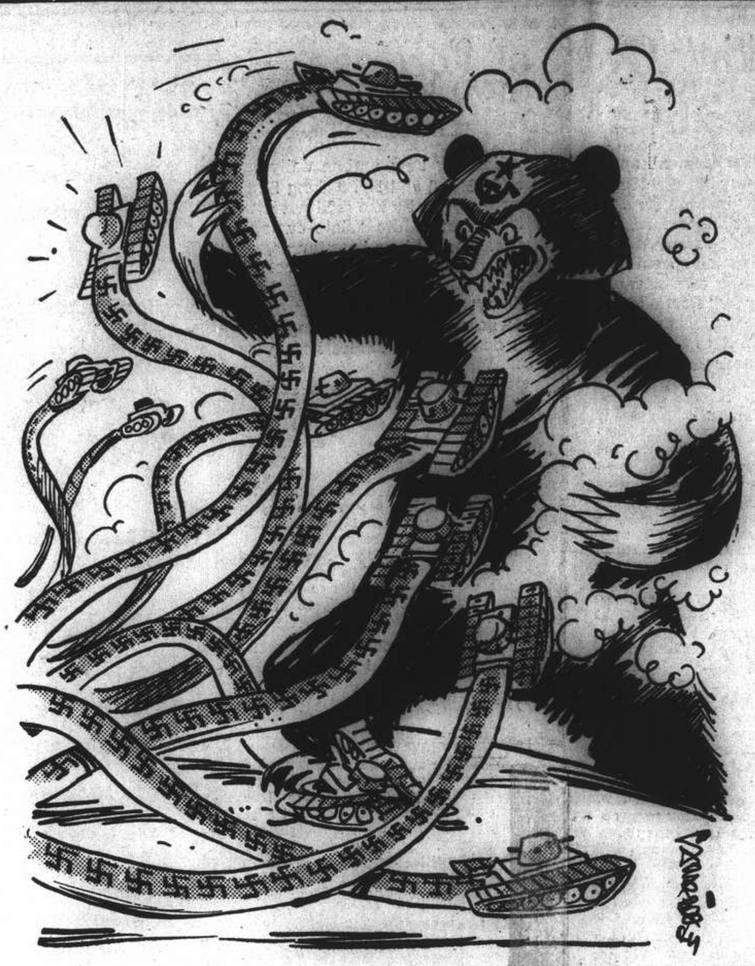
I. E. HARMONY.

Shanghai, July 14.

Encirclement Scare By "Yomiuri"

Tokyo, July 13.

The "Yomiuri Shimbun" in a Rome despatch quoting the Ankara radio unconfirmedly reports that the Soviet Union has secretly joined an "Anglo-American plot" for the encirclement of Japan and has already agreed to offer Kamchatka air bases for possible use by United States planes.—Domei.



BY SAPAJOU

Paws Or Panzers?

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1.15 Light music.
4.30 Light music.
5.30 Chinese lesson for foreigners.
5.50 French lesson for Chinese students.
6.10 Chinese music.
6.15 News in Chinese (Shanghai dialect).
6.30 Chinese music.
6.35 News in Chinese (Mandarin).
6.50 Light music.
7.20 Music by Russian composers.
7.30 News in Russian.
7.45 Music by Russian composers.
7.50 Light music.
8.00 Causerie by Mme Claude Riviere: The conferences of Victor Gebert beff in Japan.
8.15 Light music.
8.30 News in French.
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9.00 News in English.
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...n Orient

Singapore, July 14.

The Free French in Malaya are celebrating the "Fall of the Bastille" today with official receptions.

In an interview yesterday M. Charles Baron, General de Gaulle's Far Eastern representative, said the "fight still goes on and the French feel that the dead should be avenged rather than mourned."

He also disclosed that Singapore was the initial training ground for large numbers of Free French volunteers who had arrived, waiting to be transported to the Middle East.

He reported a great increase in the numbers of General de Gaulle's followers in the Far East despite enemy efforts to hamper their activities.—Reuter.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF JULY 15, 1871

Some sensation has been produced at Stockholm by the intelligence that Prince Bismarck has called upon the Hamburg Senate to report whether the acquisition of the islands of Spitzbergen by Sweden would be advantageous or otherwise for the commercial and shipping interests of Germany. This news was a great surprise to the Swedes, as the intention of the Swedish Government to obtain possession of the islands in question had been hitherto kept secret. It now appears that the Government proposes to establish a colony in these islands "for scientific purposes," and that it has notified its intention to England, Germany, Russia, France, Denmark and the United States. The meteorological and magnetic observatory is to be erected there, and in order to obtain the necessary security and control the whole territory is to be placed under the Swedish rule. This project is connected with the Arctic Expedition which is to start this summer from the northern coast of Spitzbergen, under the direction of Professor Nordenskiold, with the object of penetrating as far as possible in the direction of the North Pole.

S.V.C. Orders

Unit Command:—Lieutenant K. Kubota assumes command of Japanese Company with effect from July 8, during the absence on leave of Major T. Otorii.

Transfers:—Officers:—Captain J. S. Brenneman, American Machine Gun Company is transferred to Reserve of Officers "B" with effect from July 14. Lieutenant W. M. Portrude from Acting Adjutant, Headquarters "B" Battalion, is transferred to American Machine Gun Company with effect from July 14. Other Ranks:—Corporal L. E. Schusterovitz, "B" Company is transferred from "A" class reserve to active list with effect from July 8.

Appointment:—Lieutenant W. M. Portrude to be acting Captain and to command American Machine Gun Company vice Captain J. S. Brenneman with effect from July 14.

Officers—Return from Leave:—"B" Battalion H.Q.—Captain W. C. Farnham returned from leave July 10.

Strength:—Increase:—The undermentioned are taken on the strength of the Corps as under:—Corps Cavalry:—American Troops.—Tprs. J. Zagha July 7, G. Kulebiakin July 8, L. Hollingsworth July 9. "A" Battalion:—Scottish Company.—Pte. I. C. McA. Pemberton July 9. "B" Battalion:—American Company Pts. K. P. Loewenberger July 3, S. Lewko July 5, M. Taingersh July 8, R. Schimmelfennig July 7. Philippine Coy.—Pte. W. Wugh July 7. "C" Battalion:—Armoured Car Coy.—Pte. H. A. Ashworth July 2. Decrease:—The undermentioned are taken off the strength of the Corps as under:—Corps Troops:—Field Company.—Sapper P. E. Longden July 9. Transport Coy.—Dvr. D. V. Lachinoff July 10. "A" Battalion:—"A" Company.—Cpl. E. B. S. Creasy July 9. "B" Battalion:—Philippine Coy.—Pte. P. A. Uriarte July 7. "C" Battalion:—Russian Coy.—Pte. M. M. Ohliguer July 10.

Leave:—Field Company.—2nd Lieut. F. O. Berge from 11-7-41 to 4-8-41. Japanese Coy.—Maj. T. Otorii from 8-7-41 to 16-8-41. Scandinavian Coy.—2nd Lieut. O. Asp from 20-7-41 to 31-7-41. Medical Officers Lieut.—R. Sundsbak from 5-7-41 to 1-8-41.

Grave of old volunteer:—Contributions towards the renovation of the grave of the Volunteer who died of wounds after the Battle of Muddy Flat amounted to Ch. $120. Thanks are due to the 17 Units and the 6 individual Officers who contributed.

Government to Inspect Japanese Rice Crop

Tokyo, July 14.

As a first step toward the introduction of complete state control over the inspection of agricultural products, the Government has decided to start inspection of rice crops from the coming autumn.

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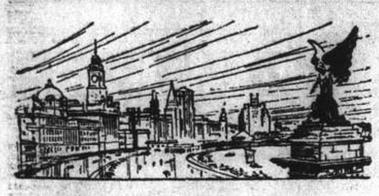

NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS

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MUTUAL ASSISTANCE

The signing of an Anglo-Russian mutual assistance pact, in which it is stipulated that neither of the contracting parties shall negotiate for, or conclude an armistice, or peace with Germany except by mutual agreement, and providing that each shall extend to the other full military and economic assistance, loses none of its significance coming as it does on the heels of unconfirmed German reports of further military gains. It is generally conceded that if the German claims are substantiated the position of the Russian armies will indeed be precarious, but there is nothing at present to suggest that they will not be able to continue the struggle, and keep large German forces fully occupied in European Russia, and thus make a considerable contribution to final victory. If the Russians can continue to absorb heavy German blows, maintaining a front regardless of where it is established, the mutual assistance pact may indeed prove to be a most valuable document. Hitler is fighting already on two fronts. True, the front in which he is engaged with Great Britain is at present in the air, but the fact is that he has two powerful, hostile nations to the east and west, and while the nature of their blows may for the time being be different they are directed towards one end,—the destruction of the German forces.

That for the moment can be approached from the British point of view by the annihilation of the industrial centres of Germany in an effort to destroy her ability to wage a long-two-front war and counter-blockade. The time will come when added to that, Great Britain will be able to invade the Continent. That will indeed be an enormous undertaking, vastly different from those operations which were possible when Great Britain and France had complete control of the Channel, and the large amount of shipping necessary to convey the British troops across the seas, and maintain them on land afterwards, may mean that such a move will have to be delayed until the Battle of the Atlantic has been brought completely under control. There are signs that things are moving in that direction, but, when the safety of British shipping against the German counter-blockade is assured, the possibility of a successful invasion of the Continent will be considerable.

It is to be regretted that when there was a mutual assistance pact between Russia, France and Czechoslovakia it was not possible to have included Great Britain as a party. Mutual suspicions in Westminster and Moscow provided a suitable and fertile field for German intrigue, and until Hitler, with his customary treachery, attacked Russia there was no particular disposition on the part of the Kremlin to listen to the persuasion of Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador to Russia, whose efforts to reach an understanding with the Soviet Government for a long time proved so unavailing. It is idle to speculate now, in view of the facts, as to what would have happened if a four-part mutual assistance pact had existed when Hitler invaded Poland, though it is safe to venture the guess that the course of the war would have been very different from what it turned out to be. Indeed, there might have been no war at all, for it would have ensured Hitler having to do the very thing he dreaded, and fight on two fronts as imperial Germany had to do in the last war.

Another interesting feature of this new agreement is that in itself it is a promise that no matter what happens with regard to the Stalin line the Soviet will continue the struggle; that over the vast plains of Russia the Germans will have to continue the fight and pay as heavily in the future as they have already done in the past for the gains in territory they may make. The fact is that in attacking fortified positions the attackers must expect to sustain very heavy casualties, and the Russian claim that the Germans prior to this latest offensive had suffered a million casualties does not, in the circumstances, seem unlikely. What the Germans are suffering now, cannot, naturally, be ascertained, but it may very well be that this mutual assistance pact, and the damage which is being done to the German war machine will in the long run render the present German successes Pyrrhic indeed.

COMIC RELIEF

The newspaper-reading world takes time out from wondering what is the truth of the war communiqués issued by both sides and what they portend, to listen every now and again to what Signor Gayda, well-termed "Mussolini's Charley McCarthy," has to say about things. Signor Gayda can be relied upon to raise a laugh out of the most gloomy situation and to place the most novel interpretation upon the most obvious remark. Every now and again he thunders warnings to President Roosevelt, without noticeably affecting that gentleman's composure or policy. At intervals he utters the direst threats about what the Axis powers are just about to do; and in this connection his more recent statements have even passed over the Axis and become more confined to what Germany is going to do—which shows that on one point at least, the helplessness of his own country and Il Duce, he has no illusions. His position is, of course, by no means easy. He has become the Charley McCarthy of a Charley McCarthy, since Mussolini has sunk to the level of a mere echo of what Hitler thinks and intends. Throughout Signor Gayda's latest effusion can be detected the guiding hand of Dr. Goebbels.

Signor Gayda has declared that the Axis powers will take reprisals against the United States because an American patrol boat which was engaged in picking up survivors of a torpedoed ship dropped a depth charge in order to warn the submarine which had torpedoed the ship to keep away. From the brief account of this incident given by the U.S. Secretary of the Navy, it would appear that the American ship was engaged in an errand of mercy which would never have become necessary if the submarine had followed the rules of war and given the crew of the torpedoed vessel time to secure their own safety. Presumably the offence commited by the American ship was that it picked up the survivors and objected to any interference while it was engaged in this humane duty—nothing more. Yet Signor Gayda has taken this action as a cause for reprisals against America—an exceedingly foolish threat to make, since if "reprisals" are taken, the next time an American ship drops a depth charge it will not be *near* the Axis submarine but definitely *on* it.

Meanwhile Signor Gayda has gone on to declare that the American occupation of Iceland has given European countries the right to take similar measures in the Western Hemisphere for the defence of the European Continent. How the Axis powers are going to do this, or what American country is going to ask them to walk in, he does not mention. Possibly these are military secrets which he does not feel at liberty to reveal. The point can be passed over in favour of his appeal for a united front against Bolshevism. He says:

> While the German offensive develops against Bolshevism in order to free the European Continent and civilization from one of its most insidious enemies, the offensive of the North American war-mongers advances against Europe with the obvious aim of making the European peoples slaves of the dollar and suffocating the national liberties and creative civilization. These war-mongers now seek conquest of the outlying bases of Europe for the purpose of re-establishing around the Continent the encirclement policy begun by Britain. President Roosevelt's declarations to the press in which he said that geographic conditions cannot hinder American defensive measures are the best proof of the aggressive intentions of the United States.

This remarkable conclusion seems to put into the mouth of President Roosevelt the excuses uttered by Nazi Germany whenever a new invasion was contemplated. It is easy to recall the accusations against "aggressive" Norway and Denmark, and the great reluctance expressed by Hitler when he was forced to invade little Holland and Belgium in order to forestall their "aggressions." Not only is this claim made, but also Signor Gayda trumpets again that the Nazis—with the help of a division of Italians which the Nazis can be relied upon to keep well in the rear—are waging a crusade against Bolshevism. Signor Gayda may not have realised what a complete wash-out this Nazi claim has proved; how it has deceived no one. In fact, the timing of President Roosevelt's announcement of the occupation of Iceland can be taken as a direct answer to the Nazis and Fascists that the United States, at all events, has not had wool pulled over its eyes by such a simple device. Then there is the question of encirclement which, in Signor Gayda's eyes, was begun by Britain. Was it fear of "encirclement" that caused Hitler to close the only open Axis frontier by making a treacherous attack on Soviet Russia? Insofar as President Roosevelt's aggressive intentions are concerned, Signor Gayda is again wide of the mark. The fact is that President Roosevelt has proved the greatest of all the isolationists, for he has isolated his country from the poison of Nazi-Fascism by deeds, not mere words. Signor Gayda is to be thanked for pointing this out, even though he may have done so without meaning to. It is to be hoped that he will not allow many more days to pass before he again injects some comic relief into this tragic struggle. Men like him are worth big money.

Can it be Done?

Some idea of the rapidly-increasing strength of the British and Allied army, now undergoing intensive training in the United Kingdom, may be gleaned from the fact that during recent exercises "somewhere in East Anglia" 75,000 troops, who took part, were equipped with 10,000 motor vehicles including hundreds of the latest tanks. This raises the question of whether or not the British Army (including Dominion and Allied troops) is strong enough to attempt an invasion of the continent—a move that has been urged by some military experts in order to weaken the German attack on Russia. It must be borne in mind that the British Army lost practically all its equipment during the retreat in Flanders and that, after Dunkirk, it had to be practically re-equipped by British factories.—a formidable task, which is still being carried out. There can be no doubt, however, that the British Army in the United Kingdom today is a powerful and well-trained force, thanks to the splendid way in which the factories tackled the job of starting all over again to give the country a striking force that would be as well-equipped as the powerful German army,—an army that took years to build up to its present strength. The British Army is not yet strong enough to meet the Nazis in full strength. Is it strong enough to face a Nazi army split into two parts with its air force similarly divided? The answer, probably, is "Yes." British divisions today are mostly mechanized and their vehicles are brand new and formidable. The R.A.F. is stronger than ever before and would outnumber a Luftwaffe that would have to fight Russia in the east and Britain in the west. Then the Royal Navy would be there to blast a way for the landing forces with its powerful battleships and to ensure an adequate lane of supplies as bridgeheads were established. Whether or not the British High Command will attempt this landing on the continent only Whitehall knows, but it is quite certain that there will be no hasty action. The war in the east is still too uncerain to plunge into a rash act that might bring only disaster in its wake. If, during the next few weeks, Russia is able to show the world that the Germans can be held and kept fighting during the coming winter, then Britain is likely to act. Only by waiting and watching for an opportune moment to enter and strike what may be a death blow to Hitler in the west as his armies fight in the east can Britain assure herself of the success of an invasion. The time is not ripe yet. In the meantime the R.A.F. will continue to batter Germany night and day and Britain's huge army will continue its intensive training and re-equipment programme until the time comes to strike.

ALONG THE HIGHWAYS

July 12.—Those who like a mass of white flowers in their garden at this time of the year should make a point of growing *Chrysanthemum Leucanthemum*. What a display this makes with very little care and attention! The original Ox-eye daisy is a common weed in many parts of the world and children may be seen returning from a trip to the country with large bunches of flowers which are esteemed for vase decoration. The form we have here is an improvement on the original, flowers being larger, borne on longer stems and much better for cut flower work: they do not last a long time in water, but this does not matter much for there are plenty of them on the plants. The Ox-eye daisy will thrive anywhere but it does better in an airy situation and it is improved by division of the roots: old roots are easily divided during the Autumn or early Spring. When the plants are permitted to remain in one position too long, flowers become smaller: it pays to divide and transplant them. It is not a bad plan to use the Ox-eye daisy as a succession in the Larkspur bed, the plants may be planted between larkspurs early in the year: they will be crowded, but they will soon recover when the larkspur is removed. Late sown Zinnias can be planted to replace them when they pass their best and these will continue to produce flowers until it is time to plant the chrysanthemums that have been cared for in the vegetable garden all the Summer. Cannas are also plants that give us a lot of pleasure for very little trouble; but in this case, care should be taken to avoid buying the common seedlings that produce very mediocre flowers. There are many varieties of the "Indian Shot" as this plant is called, a dwarf-growing scarlet being perhaps the most showy of all: this produces attractive flowers the whole Summer if it is encouraged by an occasional application of manure. There is a golden yellow variety that is also worthy of a place in the garden as well as a variety blotched scarlet and gold. Perhaps the best of all, even if it is not the most showy, is a salmon-pink variety: a few years ago, this variety was rather scarce, but it has been propagated in Pootung and it is now easier to obtain. It does not stand sun so well as the scarlet variety and it is not so floriferous; but a bed of it is a charming sight. Like all the cannas, it can be transplanted when in flower: this is a great advantage, for it is only when we see the plant in flower, that we can be sure what we are buying.—W.J.R.

NORWAY'S "NEW ORDER"

An attempt by Major Vidkun Quisling's administration to introduce a "new order" into Oslo's lunatic asylum and what amounts to a kidnapping of its directors by the Hirden (Quisling Storm Troopers) have provoked a revolt by the entire body of Oslo physicians and medical personnel—about 2,000 in all—who threatened to stop work if political considerations received priority over purely professional qualifications, states the New York "Times." Without the slightest reason the Quislingites decided to replace the chief sick warden of Dikemark, Oslo's lunatic asylum, directed by a psychiatrist of international repute, Dr. Haly Gjissing, by a member of the Nasjonalsamling. Dr. Gjissing protested against this nomination, emphasizing that the nominee did not have sufficient professional qualifications, but his protest was to no avail.

Thereupon all the chief doctors of community hospitals in Oslo drafted a protest to Major Quisling's administration in which they emphasized that the only criterion for the nomination of medical personnel must remain professional capacity. "If hospital personnel is dismissed for purely political reasons, the professional standards and efficiency of our hospitals will deteriorate, which in turn can have incalculable consequences for the health and even the life of our patients," the protest said.

Consequently, the chief doctors announced that they and all their colleagues, as well as the nurses and attendants, would resign if this practice was not abandoned. At one time a group of the Hirden arrived at the Dikemark asylum and demanded to see Dr. Gjissing. When told he was examining a patient they went into his office and made him interrupt the treatment and drove him away to some unnamed place in Oslo. Subsequently sixteen head doctors of Oslo hospitals gathered again in a special meeting and drafted a protest addressed to the Police Department, expressing indignation at the Dikemark incident and demanding the immediate release of Dr. Gjissing.

"Arrested" Without Warrant

"Gjissing was arrested by individuals without police authority," read the protest, "and without even showing a warrant for his arrest. A public servant has been brutally interrupted in his work. He was removed from a more than usually responsibe doctor's position without having the opportunity to take the necessary dispositions....The relation between the patient and his doctor, which in all civilized countries is considered most sacred, has been violated. This is a revolting breach of the most elementary rights." For the sake of the sick, the doctors "demand guarantees for the protection of peaceful work, which is the foundation of all hospital work. If anything happens we decline all responsibility for the sick and we will be compelled to resign," the protest added. "This can be taken as the view of all doctors, assistant doctors and medical candidates."

There has not yet been any answer to this or to the previous protest, and Dr. Gjissing is still in the Hirden's hands. At Oslo Police Headquarters a Swedish correspondent was told that the protest was being examined, and the responsible Hirden had been interrogated to discover the reasons for their action. This conflict is considered throughout Norway as comparable in its gravity to the resignation of the Norwegian Superior Court of Justice and the famous protest letter from the Norwegian Bishop. The issue of it will decide whether one of the most sacred principles of civilization will be sacrificed by the totalitarian "new order."

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IN PARENTHESIS

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Embarrassing moment admitted by Leonard Lyons in his New York "Post" column:

"An invitation to a dinner at the home of Lieut.-Gov. Charles Poletti, who seated me next to a charming lady.....She expressed some curiosity about my work, and I proceeded to tell her all about the newspaper business—for almost two hours. 'And so,' I concluded finally, 'there you have the newspaper business'...She then spoke to a tall, distinguished-looking man across the table. 'What does he do?' I whisphered.... 'He's my husband,' she explained, 'Charles Merz, editor of the New York 'Times'.'"

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Yankees and Indians Win Two Games Each on Sunday

New York, July 13.

THE Yankee took an 11th inning 1 to 0 thriller from the Chicago White Sox this afternoon to extend their winning streak to 14 games after taking the first half of the double-header by an 8 to 1 count. Joe DiMaggio boosted his sensational string of games with consecutive hits to 53. In the opener, Joe came through with three safe blows and in the nightcap, he connected with a single in the sixth frame.

Fine hurling was supplied by the Yank moundsmen, with Spurgeon Chandler limiting the Sox to five hits and a long run in the opener. The veteran Charles Ruffing yielded only three hits and no scores in the extra inning fray.

The big inning in the opener was the fourth when the Yanks shelled Ted Lyons and chased him from the mound after collecting a half dozen runs. The other two scores crossed the plate in the ninth. John Sturm, rookie Yank infielder, started the 11th inning rally with a two-bagger. He advanced on a bunt and came home on Tom Henrich's sacrifice fly.

Cleveland Keeps Pace

The Cleveland Indians kept pace with the Yanks by sweeping their double-header with the Boston Red Sox by scores of 9 to 6 and 2 to 1. The second game went 11 innings.

Ken Keltner started off the 11th for the Indians with a single and then advanced to third on Jimmy Tabor's wild throw of Roy Weatherly's bunt. Ken came home with the winning run when the next Indian singled. Geoffrey Heath, Indian garden-tender, led the batting assault in the opener by connecting with three hits, including a three-bagger in the first inning with two men on base.

Ted Williams, beavy-hitting Boston outfielder, was taken from the game suffering from what appeared to be a bad ankle injury.

Brawns Into League Cellar

The St. Louis Browns plunged into the American League cellar as a result of dropping both ends of their double-header to the Washington Senators. The capital city club took the opener, 7 to 3, and pushed over a 6 to 5 win in the night-cap.

Cecil Travis, Washington infielder, hit safely for his 22nd consecutive game as he recorded two singles in the opener. The Senators led throughout and staged two-run rallies in the second and eighth frames. In the second half of the bargain day bill, the score was dead-locked from the fifth until the ninth when the Senators pushed over the deciding run.

The Philadelphia Athletics with a three-run rally in the ninth, downed the Detroit Tigers, 5 to 4. Jack Knott was on the mound for the A's and allowed only five hits.

Cardinals Trim Phillies

Brooklyn's National League lead was whittled to 2½ games when the St. Louis Cards humbled the Phillies twice in their double-header today at the Quaker City. Billy Southworth's St. Louis gang took the opener, 7 to 2 after staging a 5-run rally in the initial frame. They took the night-cap, 8 to 5, after hammering three Phillie hurlers for 16 hits.

During the wild first inning, Terry Moore, John Mize, Jim Brown and Enos Slaughter recorded singles and Walker Cooper came through with a double. In addition, the Cards were aided by two errors and a wild pitch.

Dodgers Break Even

The circuit-leading Dodgers dropped the first half of their double-header to the Chicago Cubs by a 10 to 3 score when Claude Passeau turned them back with six hits. It was Passeau's ninth win of the season.

Dominic Dallessandro started the fireworks with a homer in the first frame that produced two runs. Stanley Hack was responsible for four of the 16 hits the Cubs collected from four Brooklyn hurlers.

The Dodgers took the second game, 3 to 1, with Harold Reiser starting the scoring with a homer in the first inning. The other two runs crossed the plate in the fourth when Lou Riggs singled, Joe Medwick doubled and both came home when Bob Sturgeon committed a costly error.

Ken Heintzelman's southpaw slants were breaking beautifully as he pitched the Pirates to their seventh consecutive win in downing the New York Giants, 4 to 0. The Giants were turned back with two hits. The Pirates sewed up the game in the eighth with a three-run rally, resulting from Elbert Eletcher's three-bagger, singles by Bob Elliott and Frank Gustine, ond one error.

The old dependable Hal Schumacher was on the mound and allowed only five hits as the Giants broke the Pirates' winning streak with an 8 to 2 count. Dick Bartell, an American League cast-off, led the batting attack for the Giants by connecting with four hits including a home.

23 Scoreless Innings

Elmer Riddle recorded his 10th straight win and turned in a total of 23 straight scoreless innings in which no runner had advanced beyond second base as the Cincinnati Reds downed the Boston Braves, 4 to 0. Riddle allowed but five hits and had his foes in hand throughout.

Boston, with a ninth-inning rally, came back to take the second game, 6 to 5, as the Reds' once great Paul Derringer dropped his fifth straight game. Dick West brought in the tying and winning scores with a double in the ninth as John Cooney who had singled and Sebastian Sisti who drew a walk crossed the plate.

Results of Play

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Washington	7	14	0
St. Louis	3	7	2
Batteries: Sundra, Carrasquel and Early; Allen, Caster, Trotter and Ferrell.			
Boston	6	12	1
Cleveland	9	7	0
Batteries: Wagner, Ryba and Peacock; Bagby and Desautels.			
New York	8	13	2
Chicago	1	5	4
Batteries: Chandler and Dickey; Lyons, Hallett and Tresh.			
Philadelphia	5	11	0
Detroit	4	5	2
Batteries: Knott and Hayes; Newhouser, Benton, Giebell and Sullivan.			

SECOND GAMES

	R.	H.	E.
Washington	6	15	1
St. Louis	5	6	1
Batteries: Zubet, Anderson and Early; Galehouse and Swift.			
Boston	1	11	1
Cleveland	2	8	0
Batteries: Harris and Pytlak; Smith and Hemsley.			
New York	1	6	0
Chicago	0	3	0
Batteries: Ruffing and Rosar; Lee and G. Dickey.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	10	16	1
Brooklyn	3	6	3
Batteries: Passeau and McCullough; Casey, Wicker, Brown, Tamulis, and Franks.			
Pittsburgh	4	18	0
New York	0	2	1
Batteries: Heintzelman and Lopez; Lohrman, Brown, Adams and Hartnett.			
Cincinnati	4	5	0
Boston	0	5	4
Batteries: Riddle and West; Hutchings, LaManna and Masi.			
St. Louis	7	9	1
Philadelphia	2	8	3
Batteries: Gumbert, Krist and W. Cooper; Hoerst, Melton, Grissom and Livingston			

SECOND GAMES

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	1	6	1
Brooklyn	3	8	2
Batteries: Lee, Page and George; Kimball and Owen.			
Pittsburgh	2	5	0
New York	8	9	0
Batteries: Butcher, Dietz, Wilkie. Strincevich, Sullivan, Bowman and Davis; Schumacher and C'dea.			
Cincinnati	5	9	1
Boston	6	12	0
Batteries: Derringer and West; Salvo, Earley and Berres.			
St. Louis	8	16	2
Philadelphia	5	11	0
Batteries: Nahem, Hutchinson, Crouch, Gumbert and Padgett; Blanton, Hoerst, Pearson and Warren.			

—United Press.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

American League

	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	53	26	.671
Cleveland	49	32	.605
Boston	42	36	.538
Chicago	40	39	.506
Detroit	40	42	.488
Philadelphia	36	41	.468
Washington	29	49	.372
St. Louis	26	50	.342

National League

	W.	L.	Pct.
Brooklyn	53	26	.671
St. Louis	51	29	.638
New York	41	34	.547
Cincinnati	41	38	.519
Pittsburgh	36	36	.500
Chicago	36	44	.450
Boston	31	44	.413
Philadelphia	20	58	.256

—United Press.

Reiser, Williams League Leaders

New York, July 13.

Leading the National League in two departments, batting and runs scored, Pete Reiser of the Brooklyn Dodgers came back last week to top the senior loop's cluggers while Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox retained his American League batting lead for the sixth consecutive week, averages released Saturday and including Thursday's games showed.

Williams played in only three games last week but pick:d up points when he made five hits in eleven times at bat.

Elmer Riddle of the Cincinnati Reds and Al Benton of the Detroit Tigers retained the pitching leads of their respective leagues, Riddle's nine victories against no defeats tops the National and six victories and only one loss for Benton gave him leadership of the junior circuit.

Following are individual standings.

Batting Averages

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Ted Williams, Red Sox	.398
Roy Cullenbine, Browns	.371
Geoffrey Heath, Indians	.376
Joe DiMaggio, Yankees	.369
Cecil Travis, Senators	.365

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Harold Reiser, Dodgers	.361
Joe Mize, Cardinals	.349
John Cooney, Bees	.325
Enos Slaughter, Cardinals	.324
Harry Lavagetto, Dodgers	.322

HOME RUNS

Joe DiMaggio, Yankees, 20; Keller, Yankees, 19; Ott, Giants, 18; Johnson, Athletics, 17; Williams, Red Sox, 16; Camilli, Dodgers, 16; York, Tigers, 16.

RUNS SCORED

Joe DiMaggio, Yankees, 73; Williams, Red Sox, 72; Dom DiMaggio, Red Sox, 72; Rolfe, Yankees, 65; Reiser, Dodgers, 61.

RUNS BATTED IN

Joe DiMaggio, Yankees, 73; Keller, Yankees, 72; York, Tigers, 63; Williams, Red Sox, 62; Nicholson, Cubs, 61.

HITS SCORED

Joe DiMaggio, Yankees, 112; Heath, Indians, 105; Travis, Senators, 105; Cramer, Red Sox, 99; Moore, Cardinals, 98.

AMERICAN LEAGUE PITCHING

	W.	L.	Avg.
Alton Benton, Tigers	6	1	.857
Tom Ryba, Red Sox	5	1	.833
Bob Feller, Indians	16	4	.800
Charlie Ruffing, Yankees	9	3	.750
Bob Grove, Red Sox	6	2	.750

NATIONAL LEAGUE PITCHING

	W.	L.	Avg.
Elmer Riddle, Reds	9	0	1.000
Sam Nahem, Cardinals	5	1	.833
Bob Carpenter, Giants	5	1	.833
John Wyatt, Dodgers	13	4	.765
Vern Olsen, Cubs	6	2	.750

—United Press.

Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association

Entries for the undernoted championships close on the dates specified and all competitors desirous of forwarding their entries must do so before the dates mentioned to the secretary of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association, in each case accompanying their application by the corrrect fee:—

Men's Singles Junior	July 19
Men's Singles Senior	July 26
Men's Doubles	July 26
International Doubles (Roper Cup)	July 26

Sunday's "C" Class Yachting

THE heavy rains and threatening outlook for the week-end reduced attendance on Saturday, but failed to deter a full turnout of "C" Class on Sunday, when by decision of the sailing committee the 3rd Minghong Series was substituted for the 2nd and 3rd Ordinary Races, which will be sailed next week-end instead. Dorothy and Leda will be repaired before next Saturday and their absence from the 3rd Minghong Series does not critically affect their prospects in the championship.

Strongish winds—not enough to reef—blew from south of east throughout the day, and there was a very strong spring tide, the morning course being set up river against the ebb over to the Shanghai Shore, and thence on round No. 4 to port, down round No. 2 to starboard and back to the line.

This course provided excellent racing but the narrow starting line, blanketted by the jetties and building on Gough Island proved nearly impossible to cross because the tide swept yachts into the mark boat on the port tack and on going about they were relentlessly carried down to the blanketted area from which the other leg had been started.

Eileen, Sun Lee and Karin managed to cross in quite good order, but Daphne and Catherine spoiled each others chances and the former took five minutes to cross, while the latter, sailed by the Vice-Commodore staged an unrelenting fight against the difficulties finally crossing after 15 minutes and then—just to show it could be done—going back and doing it again.

Among Fishing Sampans

By this time Eileen, Sun Lee and Karin were among a large number of fishing sampans off the Chemical Works splitting tacks. Sun Lee elected to risk the shallows in an effort to escape the tide and passed both the others only to go aground on a stone landing stage. Piper instantly leapt overboard and by heaving bard managed to get her unstuck and clamber aboard as she bore away.

Daphne by this time had come up well and folowed Sun Lee round No. 4 close behind the leaders. It was a run to No. 2 with the two pairs of yachts trying to take each other's wind, which Karin and Eileen did so thoroughly that both eventually had to gybe near No. 2; both got their mainsails caught in their crosstrees, and had to gybe back again to shake free; but in the process Sun Lee and Daphne came right up and immediately after the buoy all four yachts were splitting tacks up the Shanghai Shore.

Some exciting racing followed and Daphne forged right ahead and on reaching a point well above the line turned across river with the tide under her weather, being shortly followed by Eileen. She reached the mark boat first, went about in the same old troublesome calm patch and was promptly put about again by Eileen which had right of way being on starboard tack. For a few minutes these two yachts hampered each other during which time Sun Lee and Karin came across to add to the difficulties.

Then Eileen got a free passage and was the first yacht to spot a breath of wind through an opening in the jetty and going about there she crossed the line with a few inches to spare to get the bell. Daphne tried to follow her example but did not get a clear run and took six minutes before eventually getting across second, after which Sun Lee followed three minutes later.

Afternoon Leg Short One

The afternoon leg was a short one with a run, booms swinging, down round the dredger against a flood which made fairly rough water. Catherine, Eileen and Karin got a safe leeward start and a free wind, but Sun Lee, Daphne and Dragonfly on the weather side blanketted each other to such purpose that the two latter yachts were virtually out of things.

An unfortunate misunderstanding of the exact implication of the rule about rounding marks caused Karin to foul the dredger chains and be disqualified. Her skipper had cut in between Catherine and the dredger while running down its lee forgetting that an overlap must be established before reaching the mark (in this case some 200 feet long): hence when the dredger's bow was reached Catherine correctly luffed up hard to round her and Karin, hopelessly caught, fell back and stuck on the chains. She would have been quite correct and could have forced Catherine further down river had she established her overlap before reaching the dredger's stern.

Eileen First Across

From here it was a beat to Pursuit, a run across river to No. 2 and a reach to the line. Eileen (going well in the strongish winds) and Sun Lee, released from interference by the Catherine-Karin episode, forged ahead and maintained their places to the finish, these two yachts taking first and second places in the series, Eileen being well clear with her two good wins.

The only other episode of note was a tremendous luff administered to Daphne by Catherine near No. 2 Buoy which matching the former's novice crew in the act of dousing spinnaker and her helmsman inattentive, threw her right about, and have Catherine the extra place required to share third position in the series with Daphne.

	1st Leg	2nd Leg	Final Pts.
Eileen, Berents	1st—7¼	1st—7¼	7¼
Sun Lee, Piper	3rd—5	2nd—6	6
Catherine, Lock	4th—4	3rd—6	4½
Daphne, Kenyon	2nd—6	5th—3	4½
Dragonfly, Frewen	D.N.S.	4th—4	3
Karin, Hultmann	D.N.F.	Hit Mark	—

Three Kittenball Games Today

The Foreign "Y" Reds will be tested this afternoon when they clash with the Texaco kittenball squad in an "A" division tussle at the Parsee grounds at the Race Course. This should be the most interesting and only worthwhile encounter as far as spectators are concerned.

The programme for this afternoon consists of three "A" division fixtures. The second stringers of the A.S.P. "B" will be pitted against Mollers Ltd. in one, while in the second the Columbia Country Club softball squad will cross bats with the Race Clubbers.

It would be folly to try and forecast the winner of the Texaco Foreign "Y" Reds tussle as these two teams are apparently quite evenly matched and, if both teams should be in their finest fettle this afternoon, a ding-dong struggle may well be expected. The "Y" girls concede a very slight edge. This is because of their sterling performance against the formidable Erin Villa "A" squad last week in which they came through on the short end of 11-9 count.

Shipping Team Weak

The A.S.P. "B" should not encounter much difficulty in disposing of the shipping firm as they have been playing a much better brand of ball this summer as compared with that of the inexperienced members of the Mollers Ltd.

Though the Race Club may be counted upon to put up a game resistance against the Columbia Country Club it is difficult to see them emerging victorious. They possess a useful player in Mrs. V. Elliott, a player who can both pitch and slug homers when necessary, but it will take more than her efforts to beat the combined play of the Columbia ladies.

Following is the fixture list for this afternoon:—

"A" DIVISION

5.45 p.m.—A.S.P. "B" v. Mollers Ltd., at R.C.

5.45 p.m.—Texaco v. Foreign "Y" Reds, P.C.

6.00 p.m.—C.C.C. v. Race Club, at C.C.C.

Orengo Succeeds With Giants

In recent years, or since Travis Jackson called it a day, the New York Giants have had almost as many third basemen as they have outfielders. Every time you looked down from the press box, Bill Terry was trying a new man. The so-called hot corner situation was one of the more discouraging angles of the Polo Grounds story.

Without attempting to list them in the order of their arrival, there was Glenn Myatt, Tony Cuccinello, Gurgess Whitehead, Eddie Mayo, Alex Kampouris, Tony Lazzeri, Mel Ott, Tom Hafey, Lou Chiozzs, Glen Stewart and Mickey Haslin. Whitehead was a mild sensation there until Terry was forced to shift him to second base. But the rest were found wanting for various reasons.

However, this year the Giants have a new third sacker in Joe Orengo, formerly of the St. Louis Cardinals, and Bill Terry must like the fellow because he has played through every game to date without relief. Joe's batting average today is around the 260, which would seem to indicate that he is no giant with the bludgeon. But when he does get ahold of a ball it rides, for he is a six-foot 190-pounder and a power hitter.

Orengo started out in baseball as an outgelder, but Branch Rickey caught up with him and converted him into an infielder. For about six years Joe played shortstop in the Cardinal farm system, after breaking in at Springfield, Mo. He has never been a sure catch of a bouncing ball, but a strong throwing arm has helped him get into fast company. As a player would say, he has a rifle arm.

The Cardinals used Orengo at shortstop for a while last year, then shifted him to second base when Jimmy Brown was injured. Joe also had a stretch at third in 1940. However, Billy Southworth had more infielders than he could place and passed Joe along to the Giants.

Despite the fact that Orengo struck out 90 times in 129 games a year ago, Bill Terry has liked him since the first day he saw him in the St. Louis infield. All along John McGraw's successor had planned to play Southworth's discard at the hot corner, but when the status of Bill Jurges became questionable this spring, Terry was forced to give Joe more experience at shortstop. Now that Billy is once more one of the best short fielders in the majors, Orengo is undisturbed at third.

Professional Title Won by Ghezzi

Denver, July 13.

Giant Vic Ghezzi, the erratic protege of veteran Craig Wood, won the National Professional Golfers Association tournament today on the 38th hole, defeating Byron Nelson one up.

Ghezzi thus reached the climax of his career, ending nine years of disappointments despite his superb golf in the past. "Big Vic," as he is affectionately known, rallied after being three down at the end of 27 holes. He tied up the count at the end of the 36th and won the title when Nelson missed a 2½ ft. putt.—United Press.

Korean Wins Japanese Table Tennis Crown

Tokyo, July 14.

Trouncing Waseda's Itaru Watanabe by lopsided scores of 21 to 16 and 21 to 7, Konko Sai, Korean student of Kwansai University, yesterday captured singles honours in the Japan Student's Table Tennis Championships held at the Physical Education Hall.

Sai's victory added another laurel to a long list of impressive wins chalked up by Korean Japanese in the realm of athletics. Lithe, sturdily-built sons of Korea have garnered championships in boxing, where Lyushin Boku now reigns supreme in lightweight ranks, while Umio Gen and Joe Teiken have carved out names for themselves in past years.

Weight lifting is dominated almost entirely by Korean strongmen, while in judo and marathon running, Korean athletes have won high honours.—Domei.

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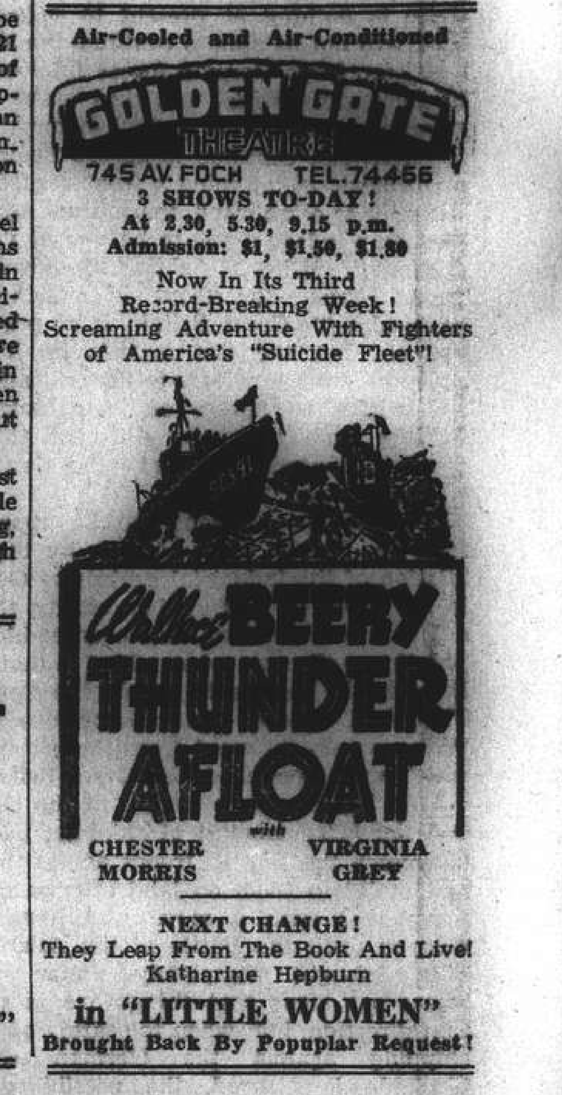

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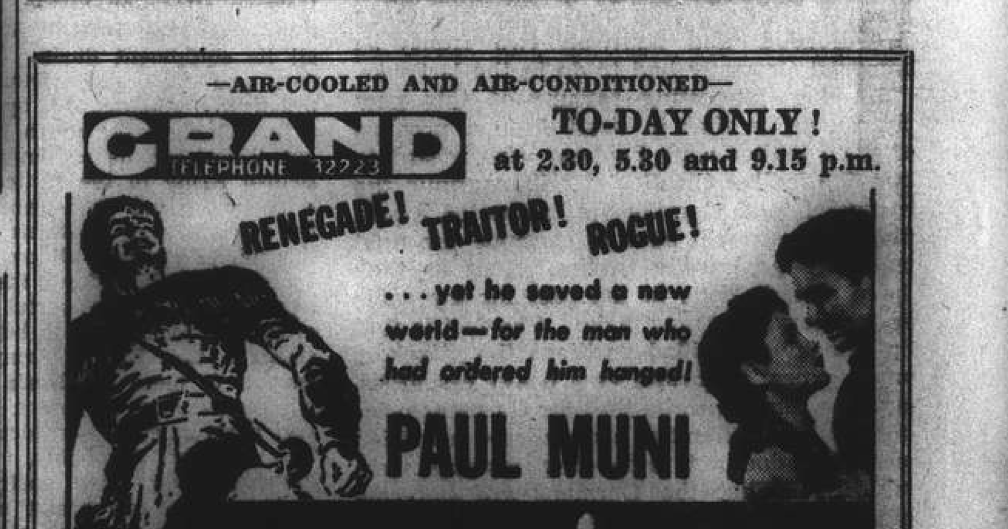

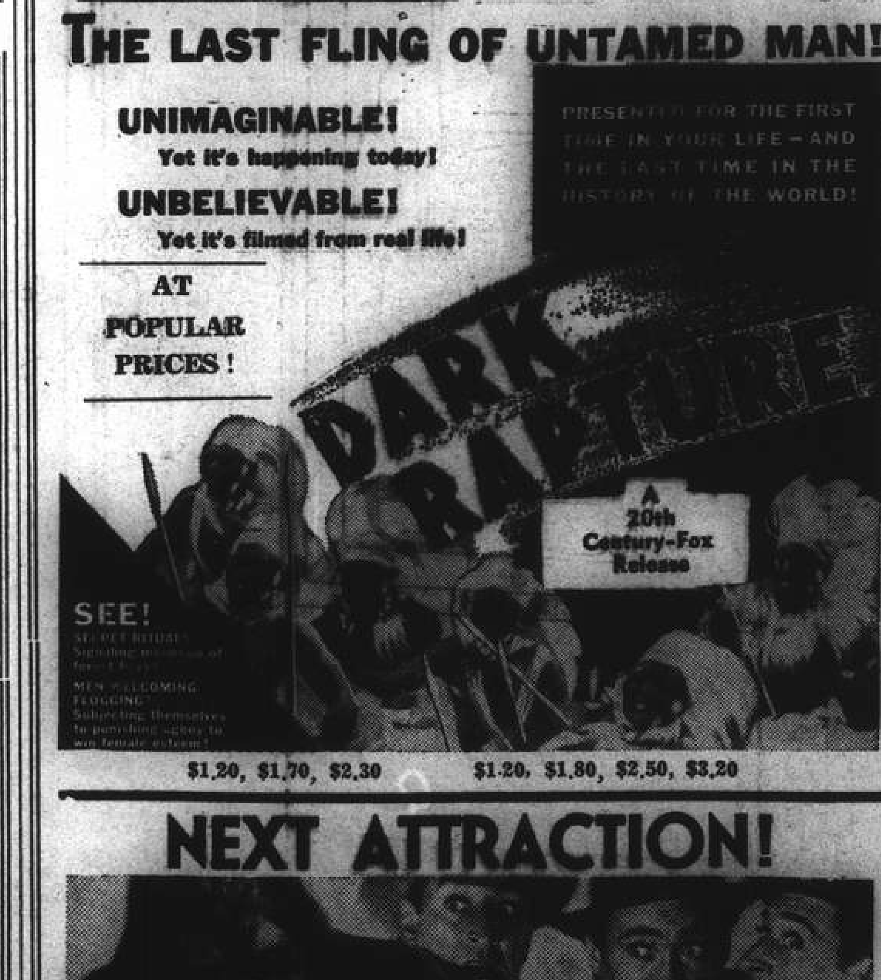

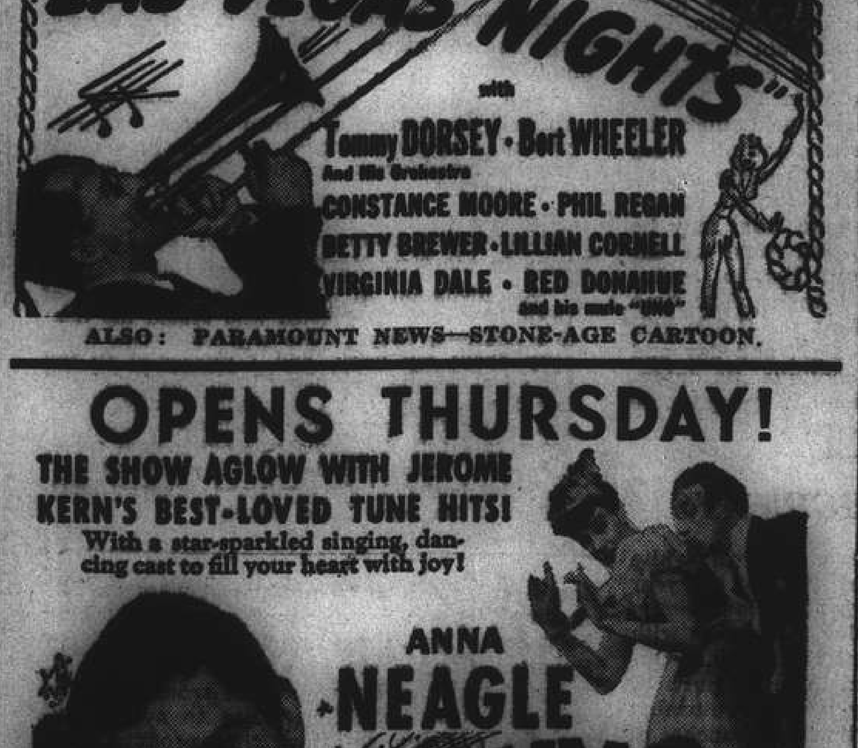

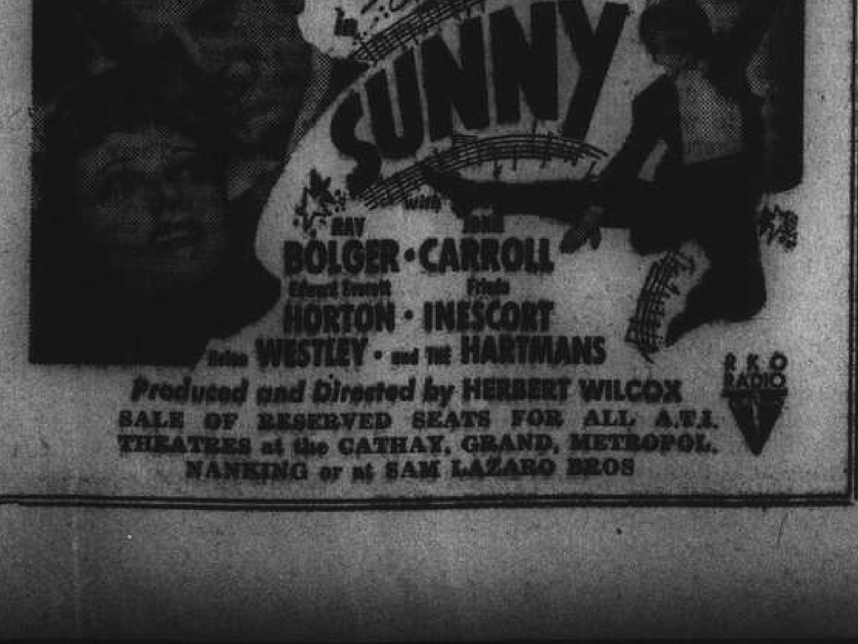

Central British War Fund Reports Better Month

AT a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Central British War Fund held last Friday the Hon. Treasurer was able to report that contributions during the past month had improved.

Total contributions to date amounted to Ch$2,460,423.26 and £26,967-8-4. After deducting disbursements and expenses and allowing for transfers from the dollar account to the sterling account, the balance in hand amounted to £3,730 approximately. Following the decision reached in June to start accumulating a reserve by setting aside £100 a month there remained £3,530 to be disbursed this month.

This last month's contributions included several large donations representing individual generosity and collective effort. Without detracting in any way from the value of other donations, great and small, the following may be singled out for special mention.

Six donations from allied friends of £12.14.0, £5, £25, £100, $4,000 and $7,500.

X.C.D.N. Calling—2nd edition..	$51,000
Cathedral School for Girls (Iolanthe)	6,000
Mrs. E. C. Spence's Raffle	10,100
B.R.A. Empire Day Gymkhana..	11,500
Market Garden Fair	66,000
Hungjao Golf Club Dinner	23,162

In deciding upon this month's allocation of funds the Committee, on the grounds that the present lull in air activity over England reduced the urgency of air raid relief, took the opportunity to spread contributions over several organizations as follows:—

Red Cross and St. John, General Purposes	£750
Red Cross and St. John, Prisoners of War	500
King George's Fund for Sailors, Royal Navy	750
King George's Fund for Sailors, Merchant Marine	750
St. Dunstan's	500
Toc H.	250
Air Raid Relief, Plymouth	32
	£3,532

Prisoners of War

The activities of the Red Cross in Africa and the Near East generally are known to have imposed an increased burden on the Red Cross and St. John War Organization whose appeal is sponsored by the Duke of Gloucester while the claim of prisoners of war has grown more urgent since the Greek campaign. In this connection the following extract from the Red Cross Summary of Work of May 3 is of interest.

"Checks on Parcels. Do prisoners of war in Germany receive their parcels? Doubt is sometimes expressed. A few facts will put readers of the Summary of Work in a position to answer enquiries. Three methods of checking the arrival of parcels are open to the Central Agency for Prisoners of War at Geneva.

"The first is its system of receipt for parcels despatched. Its despatches are accompanied by a return receipt card to be signed upon delivery by the prisoners themselves or, in the case of bulk consignments, by the camp leaders to whom the distribution is entrusted. The acknowledgments which the Central Agency holds show that the vast majority of parcels duly reach their destination.

Other Checks

"The second check is provided by the reports in letters spontaneously addressed to the Central Agency by prisoners. The third check is supplied by the reports of the Delegates of the International Red Cross Committee who visit the camps. They are given every facility to interview the camp leaders as well as the prisoners themselves.

"These three methods of checking, in the opinion of the Central Agency, combine to show that parcels arriving for prisoners who are at or within the reach of camps are delivered to them.

"Unavoidable Delays. It is admitted that there are factors which militate against the speedy transmission of parcels. They have affected parcels both for British and for French prisoners. Transport difficulties, as is known, were a cause of delay in the delivery of parcels for British prisoners, but these difficulties have now been largely removed by the energetic action of the War Organization.

"Another reason the delayed receipt of parcels by individual prisoners is due to transfers from one camp to another or to working centres or to hospitals. Further delay is caused by the exercise of censorship. Such delays cannot, of course, be prevented by any action on the part of the organizations dispatching parcels outside Germany."

Fund for Sailors

In recent articles in the papers the function of King George's Fund for Sailors has been explained. Briefly it collects funds and disburses them to many different organizations and societies for the immediate relief of distress wherever the need is most urgent.

The £500 for St. Dunstans and the £250 for Toc H. represent a repetition of contributions made in May of last year.

The item of £32 for Air Raid Relief represents proceeds from an "XCDN Calling" auction of a medal struck in Plymouth which the donor said he would like to be sold for the benefit of air raid victims of Plymouth.

In Memoriam

To be added to June disbursements is a contribution of £21 to the Royal Naval Benevolent Society which sum represents an earmarked "in Memoriam" collection by some friends of the late Lt. Commander W. A. Elliot R.N.

The Central British War Fund in nine months of its second year of operation has disbursed £22,066 as against £43,094 disbursed in its first year, November 1939—October 1940. The standard set by this last month's contributions must be maintained if the Fund is to come within £10,000 of its first years showing. A copy of the Fund's first annual report was forwarded by H. M. Consul-General to the Foreign Office and the latter recently wrote a despatch conveying to the Fund "the sincere congratulations of Mr. Winston Churchill on the excellent results of its work during the past year." This gracious recognitions of Shanghai's efforts adds a further incentive to all supporters of the Fund to aim at high achievement in the second year.

Roosevelt "Out-Hitlering" Hitler Says Japanese

Tokyo, July 14.

Under the caption "Totalitarian America," Mr. Retsu Kiyosawa, popular political commentator, today declared in the "Chugai Shogyo," leading commercial daily, "President Roosevelt has denounced Hitlerism but he is now 'out-Hitlering Hitler.'"

Mr. Kiyosawa said, "Japan has no reason for lodging a protest to the United States against the latter's going totalitarian, but we must draw President Roosevelt's attention to his infringement of Japanese rights in turning totalitarian."

Japan and the other Axis Powers had never resorted to such vandalism as confiscating and burning foreign mails, said Mr. Kiyosawa, who pointed out that United States Post Office officials had been confiscating and burning newspapers and other publications sent from Japan which contained no tendentious or propaganda articles.

"When American totalitarianism goes to that length, it is simply fanatic," Mr. Kiyosawa declared.

Recalling American annexation of Hawaii and the Philippines in 1898 immediately followed by an interventionist policy toward the Far East on the part of the Washington Government, Mr. Kiyosawa predicted that American occupation of Iceland marked the first step taken by the United States in abandoning her Monroe Doctrine and instead starting vigorous intervention in Europe.

Iceland lies 3,000 miles away from New York but only 900 miles from England or Bergen, Norway, the commentator pointed out.

While closing the Pacific coast, the United States had vigorously pursued an interventionist policy toward the Far East under the pretext of the Open Door principle, since establishment of her advance base in Hawaii and the Philippines, the commentator recalled, adding "An American base established in Iceland will be followed by vigorous intervention in Europe on the part of the Washington Government."—Domei.

Chinese Boys Steal $20,000 in Cash

Declaring that they had indulged in reading detective novels, wished to impersonate heroes mentioned in the books, two Chinese school boys, aged 17, and from well-to-do families tried to exonerate themselves yesterday in the First Special District Court on a robbery charge. They told the court that they had committed a crime in order to enable them to make a cash contribution to a school for poor children. Judge Shih remanded the boys in custody and ordered the police to make further investigations.

Accused are Wang Shi-wei of 22 Hwakee Avenue, Bubbling Well Road, who is a student of the St. John's University, and Soong Sung-teh, student of a public school who lives at 331 Wuchow Road. Their counsel said that in the home of the first accused no less than 40 volumes of such books were found. Armed with an imitation pistol, knife and several ropes they set out to carry out their plan. They tried to do a clean job using rubber gloves and black spectacles to avoid identification.

On Saturday, they went to the home of Mrs. Wong Chang-ying, 34 Hwakee Avenue, and robbed her and another occupant of nearly $20,000 in cash and personal belongings. There was a pass book belonging to Mrs. Wong showing that she had deposited more than $9,000 with the Ningpo Commercial and Savings Bank. It was alleged that after committing the crimes in which they bound the victims they sat in the victimized house drinking wine (which they previously bought themselves) and listened to radio music. When one of the boys tried to get the money from the bank he was caught by the police. Through his alleged confession the other was arrested later.

Businessman Arrested For Misappropriation

Raymond M. Chang, 34-year old native of Hangchow and well known in local business circles, was arrested by detectives from Central station in one of the houses in Hwakee Avenue, off Bubbling Well Road, yesterday morning for misappropriating $36,000 belonging to another Chinese merchant in March of this year.

The accused was the proprietor of the China Industrial Coal Agency at 142 Museum Road at the time when the complainant asked him if he could find place in his godowns for some coal. The request was granted and the victim put the coal in a godown in the Wayside District.

Later, the complainant found a buyer for his coal and appeared at the godown, with the original receipt from Chang, to claim his merchandise. He was told that Chang had taken the coal away.

It was then discovered that Chang sold the coal to others and kept the money, some $36,000, for himself. The case was immediately reported to Central Station, but when detectives came to the agency, they found the man gone.

For the past four months investigations continued and news of the accused came to police knowledge, but the accused managed on each occasion to outwit the detectives and disappear just before their arrival. Yesterday morning, however, detectives were informed that the wanted man was hiding in Hwakee Avenue. A party went there and arrested him.

Chang will be brought before the First Special District Court this morning and will be charged with misappropriation.

Fairyland Setting Used for 'XCDN Moonlight Follies'

Most people know the breathless beauty of an illuminated garden at night but it is doubtful whether any can visualize the fairyland of lights which will be reproduced at Hayim's Garden for the "XCDN Moonlight Follies," which opens tomorrow night. Trees, flowers and grass take on an added lustre and natural beauty is enhanced by a skilful blending of electric lights.

A dance floor is set in the centre of an emerald green lawn and banked with flowers and sweet music is provided by real rhythm masters under the guidance of Bill Hegamin. There is a fountain of flowers and light, and gay lanterns swinging in the breeze.

There are diversions aplenty; one can stop for a few minutes for refreshments at the Bar Beautiful, or take a trip to the Ice Cream Yacht, or visit the Fortune Teller in the gypsy caravan. Then the reveller can cross the Bridge of Chance, gaze at the Rainbow and see the Pot of Gold and indulge in the numerous inviting games and side-shows.

Charming Hostesses

Charming ladies will be on hand to dance with those who come "stag" on a specially-laid floor and under a moon that will not wane. Programmes of a memorable evening will be available. Another souvenir which is likely to be cherished is a pin with the flags of all democracies combined into one unit.

Intending visitors to the "XCDN Moonlight Follies" are warned that the booking for to-morrow, the opening night, and for Saturday next, is very heavy and, in order not to overcrowd the gardens or the dance floor, it is proposed to close the booking for these nights early. A few tables may still be had from Moutries.

Hayim's Garden, at 402 Avenue Haig, is situated close to the junction of Route de Say Zoong and Avenue Haig. Ample parking space for cars is provided in surrounding roads, but cars cannot enter the garden. Performances will take place every evening at 9.30 p.m. from July 16 to July 26, Sunday excluded.

Native Bank Robbed of $34,000 in Cash

The Gee Chong Native Bank, at 330 Peking Road, was victimized by a gang of five robbers at 9.10 a.m. yesterday when the gangsters, two of whom were armed with Mauser pistols, stole $34,000 a few minutes after the money had been brought to the bank from the Zung Chong Native Bank at 531/24 Honan Road.

Detectives investigating the case believed the crime to be an inside job with probably an employee of the establishment tipping the robbers off as to the time the money would be brought to the bank. Delivery of cash has been done by a coolie of the Gee Chong bank.

Yesterday morning as usual the money, in a canvas bag, was brought in as soon as the bank opened and was handed to the cashier. Hardly had the latter deposited the bag behind the counter when the gangsters walked in and ordered the employees to put their hands up.

While the armed men held the clerks covered with their pistols, the other three walked up to the cashier and forced him to give them the bag with the money. The gangsters then made their escape. No shots were fired.

The case was reported to Central Station and detectives are now investigating the crime.

Theatre Extortioners Sentenced to Jail

Two extortioners were each sentenced to four years' imprisonment yesterday in the First Special District Court in connection with the sending of extortion letters demanding "protection fees" to various foreign and Chinese theatres in both foreign areas. Third accused, a 14-year old lad, was acquitted but he was ordered by Judge Shih to study in the reformatory for one year.

Twenty-five extortion letters, four small bombs and three receipts, discovered by the police during their extensive investigations, were confiscated by the Court. It was revealed that the same gang was responsible for throwing smoke bombs in two Settlement theatres.

Before their arrest, practically all theatres here had received letters from the "Iron Youths' Corps" demanding "protection fees" ranging between $150 and $500. Some Koreans also were arrested in connection with these crimes.

Britons Urged to Support War Savings Association

AN appeal to all Britons in Shanghai and other parts of China, their Allies and sympathizers to support the Shanghai War Savings Association, which has just celebrated its first birthday, was made by Mr. H. R. Cleland, President of St. Andrew's Society of Shanghai, in a talk over Radio Station XCDN on Sunday night. Mr. Cleland pointed out to his listeners that Britons in China had been fortunate in that they had been spared the horrors of war that people at home were enduring and, although there were considerable calls upon their incomes these days, he was certain a surplus could be found to invest in War Savings by a little self-denial. The talk follows:—

I have been asked to say a few words tonight regarding the Shanghai War Savings Association and of the special drive which is being held this week to mark the end of the "Association's First Year."

While I speak in my capacity as President of St. Andrew's Society in Shanghai, my remarks are addressed not only to members of that Society, and not only to Scotsmen, but to all British people, their allies and sympathizers.

I speak also not only to the people in Shanghai, but also to those elsewhere in China to whom the services of the Shanghai War Savings Association are freely offered.

Can Be Improved

The Shanghai War Savings Association has just celebrated its first birthday, and while the results to date are not ungratifying, I am confident they can be much improved upon.

I realize that with the British War Fund, the Voluntary War Contributions Fund and other calls upon our income, it is not everyone who has a surplus left at the end of each month for Savings. But to any of my listeners who have any such surplus, I would say: "Join the Shanghai War Savings Association and do your bit to help the cause of Freedom." If you have no surplus, I would suggest that you search your conscience and find whether a surplus could not be found by a little self-denial.

We British people, resident in China, have been very fortunate in the last two years. We have escaped all the physical horrors of war to which our country has been subjected. We have escaped also the less terrifying, but more irksome, restrictions of black-outs and rationing. We are not called upon to work sixty or more hours per week in the factory, in the shipyard or on the land. We are not called upon to give up our week-end and other holidays. We are not called upon to be fire-fighters and A.R.P. workers. Surely we, from a personal point of view, have much to be thankful for.

Bearing a Heavy Load

All our relations at Home have suffered these things, and suffered them without a murmur. They are bearing a heavy load of taxation and when one looks at the figures of the War Weapons Week held in the different cities and villages throughout the country, where a sum of £305,000,000 was raised, it can be seen that they are giving all they have to give in the form of savings.

Surely, under the circumstances, it is up to us here to lend, if anything, more freely than our friends and relations at Home who are bearing the heat and burden of the day.

In previous wars, economics have played a large part but never so much as in the present war when great masses of materials have to be accumulated, large numbers of aeroplanes and tanks have to be produced, tremendous quantities of munitions expended and great numbers of men kept under arms.

Glorious Heritage

These must be paid for, and the people to pay for them must include us, who have been handed down, in trust, a glorious heritage of freedom. We cannot hand on to our children that heritage in any way diminished—rather must we bend our efforts to hand it on with something added.

But it is going to be difficult to do so, as that heritage is threatened, greviously threatened, by the dark forces of barbarism and tyranny.

They will not be held off by wishful thinking or by pious hopes, and it will be only by the efforts of every free man that the threat can be removed once and for all.

How Britons Can Help

We cannot all serve in the ranks of the fighting forces, in the ranks of the munition workers, or in a capacity which is directly concerned with the waging of the war. But we can all help by doing our utmost to see that all the resources of the democracies are mobilized to the fullest extent and to mobilize these forces means "money."

And you and I, in our small way, can help by providing our full share of that money.

You are not being asked to give, but just to lend., if you can give, give by all means, but many of us in the Far East must think of provision for the future and to them I say: "Invest your money—but in war loans" which ultimately will give you and your children a more sure and lasting return than any other form of investment made at this time. And remembering the latin tag of "he who gives quickly gives twice" send your money to the Shanghai War Savings Association c/o The Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, 14 The Bund, who will, free of any charge whatever, invest it on your behalf in British War Loans.

And when the day dawns, when the freedom loving people of the world have triumphed over the forces of darkness, you will be able to say—I also helped—and in your heart you will know that you assisted in the world arriving at the state prophesied by our Scottish poet, Burns, when he wrote:—

"That man to man, the world o'er
Shall brothers be for a' that!"

Anti-Fascist Council Formed In Bombay

Bombay, July 14.

The constitution of the anti-Fascist All-Indian Trade Union Council was adopted at a conference yesterday of representatives of 30 trade unions of the city of Bombay.

The objects of the Council will be to assist the world in democratic alliance against Fascism and achieve effective and conscious participation of workers in the war effort of India.—Reuter.

Claim on I.O.U. Made in Court

A claim for $6,000 was head in H.M. Supreme Court before Judge P. Grant Jones yesterday when Pun Mai Lee (Mrs. L. J. Bahr) filed suit against her son-in-law, Mr. T. O. Edwards, for this sum, which was stated to have been due in the form of an I.O.U. Mr. J. R. Jones, representing the plaintiff, asked for pleadings because of the involved nature of the case. This was granted by His Lordship and the case was postponed.

Mr. Jones stated that the matter involved not only he plaintiff but also the estate of her late husband, Mr. L. J. Bahr. Therefore, it was his opinion that the case would be better defined if pleadings were ordered.

An Investment

The defendant was represented by Mr. E. L. Hartopp and the latter provided the court with the details of the transaction which led to the dispute. He said that the whole case boiled down to one in which a certain amount of money had been entrusted by Pun Mai Lee to her son-in-law for investment. It was his contention that there was not debt at the time of yesterday's hearing, and, in fact, Mr. Edwards had overpaid the plaintiff by the sum of $2,088.04.

In dealing with the I.O.U., Mr. Hartopp said that this was made out by the defendant just as a matter of form, pending a settlement of account and because the plaintiff was worrying over the matter. The defence claims that the I.O.U. was not returned, even though the debt was more than discharged.

Russians Warned of Nazi Panic Tactics

Moscow, July 13.

The "Pravda" editorially warned the population that the creation of panic and disorganization in the rear was one of the basic methods utilized by the Germans.

"The Nazis are trying to penetrate deep into the rear in order to disrupt normal work, industries and transport, and also to obtain information," the paper said.—Domei.

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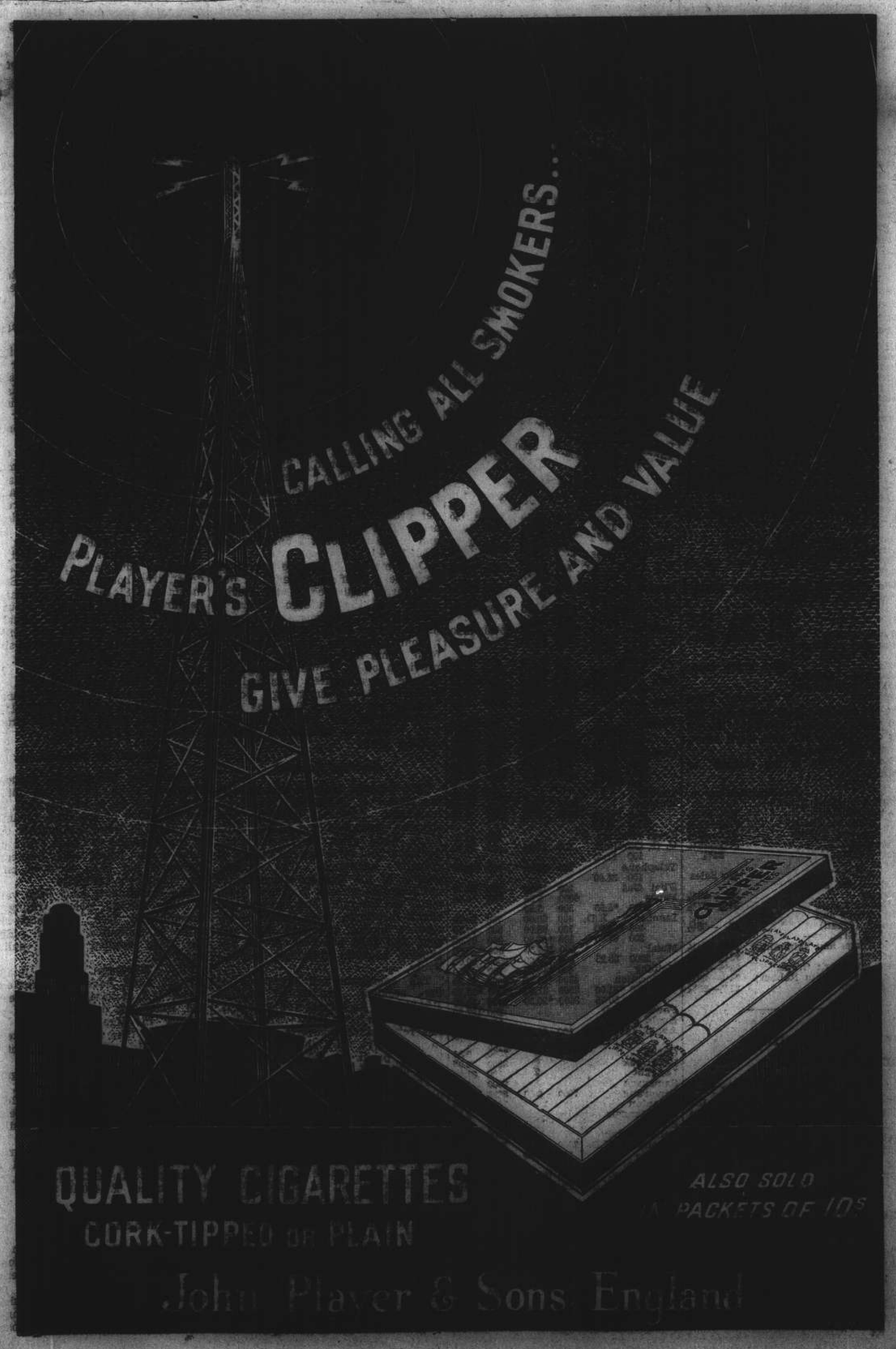

COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK

MONDAY, JULY 14, 1941

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3 7/32d.		$ 74.56
U.S. $100 @ 5¼		£1,904.76
Yen	22¼	$100
Guilders	9⅞	100
Rupees	17⅞	100
Pesos	10½	100
Hongkong	$21½	100

Closing rates unchanged.

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3 5/16d.	$ 72.45
U.S. $100 @ 5 7/16	$1,839.00
London—demand, $1=	3 5/16d.
4 months' sight credits	3⅜d.
4 months' sight docts	3 13/32d.
6 months' sight credits	3 13/32d.
6 months' sight docts	3 7/16d.
New York—demand, $100 =	U.S. $5 7/16
4 months' sight credits	U.S. $5 7/16
4 months' sight docts	U.S. $5½

Closing rates unchanged.

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

£1=U.S. $4.03½ U.S. $1=59.48d.

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ...... 3¼d. U.S. $5 5/16
Hongkong/London 1/3

NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY

Java Guilders ....Selling 10

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO., INC.

Buying U.S.$100=$1,839.080 £1=$72.452
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HUA HSING COMMERCIAL BANK

Sterling Selling Rate @ 6d per H.K.$ 1
U.S.$ Selling „ @ 9¾ „ H.H.$100
Local $ (Fapi) buying @ 183½ per H.H.$100

CUSTOMS OFFICIAL RATES FOR DUTY PAYMENTS

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing	$2.794
CRB or	@ 137
Gold Unit 1.00—Local Dollar	$5.225

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	3 17/64	3 15/64
U.S. $	5 11/32	5 5/16

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING July/Aug.		BUYING July/Aug.	
£ T.T.	3¼	4 m/s. l.c.	3⅜
U.S.$ T.T.	5¼	4 m/s. l.c.	5⅜
Rs. T.T.	13	15 d/s.	18½

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Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	62.15.6	—

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U.S. $/£ CROSS RATE CASH QUOTATIONS

New York closing rate for July 12	4.03½
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.92
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.92½

The local market opened with sellers at 3 7/32d. sterling and 5 5/32 U.S.$, but continued Bank selling made the market steady, and quotations moved up gradually to 3 9/32d. sterling and 5 11/32 U.S.$ with considerable business passing. Later in the day buyers predominated and there was a slight reaction to 3¼d. sterling and 5 5/16 U.S.$. These latter rates were maintained during the afternoon on a quieter market, closing without further change with sellers at:—

3¼d. sterling 5 5/16 U.S.$ Cash/Aug.

Singapore Weekly Rubber Report

Singapore, June 26.

The American Government has decreed that all rubber imported into the U.S.A. will be for account of the Rubber Reserve Co. and that the price will be controlled. As from June 23 no permits to export will be granted for the export of rubber to the U.S.A. consigned to any party other than the Rubber Reserve Co. or its nominees, except in fulfilment of contracts concluded before that date. The Reserve Company's maximum buying prices for the various grades of Sheet are at present as follows:—

1X 18½ U.S.A. cents per lb. F.O.B. Eastern Ports..
1 18 7/8 U.S.A. cents per lb. F.O.B. Eastern Ports.
2 18¼ U.S.A. cents per lb. F.O.B. Eastern Ports..
3 18 U.S.A. cents per lb. F.O.B. Eastern Ports..
4 17¾ U.S.A. cents per lb. F.O.B. Eastern Ports..
5 16⅝ U.S.A. cents per lb. F.O.B. Eastern Ports..

It is difficult to say as yet how the local market is likely to be affected by such important changes.

Latest quotations to hand are as follows:—

Spot 38⅝ cents, down ⅞ cent.
London 13⅝d., unchanged.
New York 21¾ U.S.A. cents up ½ U.S.A. cent.

The following are Malayan Statistics for May, (in tons):—

	May 1941	Apr. 1941	May 1940
Malayan Stocks	91,121	95,322	78,485
Production of Estates of 100 acres and over	29,532	27,770	25,213
Production (estimated) of Estates under 100 acres	13,706	29,107	15,927

At the auctions held yesterday, the tone was somewhat uncertain. Of 822 tons catalogued, 701 tons were offered and 537 tons sold.

The following is the course of values:—

	In Singapore per lb.
Ribbed Smoked Sheet:—	
Standard Quality	38½—38¾
Good Average Quality	37½—38⅜
Fair Average Quality	36 —37⅜
Off-Quality	34⅝—35⅞
Sheet Cuttings	34¾
Crepe:—	
Fine Quality Pale	No Sales
Standard and slightly inferior	38 —38⅛
Off-Colour Latex	34⅛—37½
Light Brown and Brown (Clean)	35 —35½
Milling Grades:—	
Cupwashings and skimmings	34¼—34½
Tree Scrap	25½—31⅛
Brown and Dark Crepe	28½—34⅞
Dark Crepe (Earth Rubber)	28⅛—28¼
Virgin Lump	21¾—29¼

Preference Rating For Rubber

New York, July 14.

Rubber has been added by the United States Office of Production Management to over 300 critical items for which army and navy contracting officers may assign preference ratings.—Reuter.

Iraq Cotton for India

Simla, July 14.

The Indian Government has decided to give general permission for the importation of raw cotton from Iraq provided it has not been previously imported there from elsewhere.—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The market was active yesterday but prices were rather uncertain. After a weak opening, prices tended by narrow fluctuations upwards, though later easiness set in, the lowest prices for the day being done at the close in most stocks. Lumber was heavily traded, opening at $62 and going to $69, to close at $67.

Rubbers were quiet with prices uncertain.

Official Averages

High	Low		Today's Average	Change
462.56	105.32	General	316.62	+0.48
435.40	95.55	Rubbers	251.88	—3.60

Total 681,760 shares, 1,520 bonds.

Morning Session

China Finance					2000	1.42
Yangtsze Finance (X.D.)					500	19.60
	1000	19.50	4000	*19.60	1500	*19.50
	500	19.50	3500	19.20	2000	*19.20
	1500	19.30	500	*19.30	1000	19.40
	2500	19.50	1000	*19.50	1000	*19.40
	5000	19.40	3500	19.50		
S'hai Loan			500	23.75	1500	23.25
	1000	*23.25	1000	23.50	500	*23.50
	2000	23.75	7500	24.00	2000	*24.00
	500	24.25	1000	24.00		
I. I. Trust (X.D.)					1000	31.00
	1000	*31.00	3000	30.75	5500	31.00
	1000	31.25				
Central Prop (X.D.)					100	20.25
	700	20.75				
China Realty			1500	*13.40	1000	13.30
	1500	13.20	1000	13.40	2500	*13.50
	6500	13.50	3500	13.40	500	*13.40
S'hai Land			4000	*18.70	2000	18.60
	2000	*18.60	500	18.50	500	18.40
	1000	18.50	16000	18.70	3000	18.80
	1000	18.90	1000	*18.80	500	18.90
	6500	18.80	2000	*18.80	5000	18.70
	4000	18.80	1500	18.90		
Dockyards			100	30.50	4100	30.25
	3200	30.00	3100	*30.25	500	*30.00
	500	30.25				
Asia Navigation			500	15.40	4000	*15.40
	1500	*15.30	6500	15.20	1500	15.10
	3000	*15.10	1000	15.20	17000	15.30
	7500	15.40	2000	*15.30	500	15.30
	5000	15.40				
Ewo Brewery			2000	8.50	6000	8.45
	4500	8.40	500	*8.35	500	*8.45
	2000	8.45	9000	8.50	2500	*8.50
	500	*8.45	2000	8.45	1000	8.50
Wheelock			100	*115.00	100	*114.50
	1200	115.00	500	*115.50	700	115.50
	600	*115.00	400	114.50	900	*114.50
	600	114.50	1400	115.00	1500	*115.00
	3300	115.50	1300	116.00	100	*116.00
	800	115.00	1200	115.50	1200	116.00
	1600	116.50	200	*117.00		
Ewo Mills (Ord)			1500	*42.00	1800	41.75
	1000	*41.75	300	41.50	2100	41.25
	200	*41.25	1700	41.50	3000	41.75
	1300	*41.75	100	42.00	100	*41.75
	100	42.00	3900	41.75	1000	*41.75
	500	*41.50	200	41.50	3600	41.75
	1400	42.00				
Textile			500	*8.70	2000	8.75
	3000	8.80	2000	8.85	1500	8.80
Worsted			1500	5.70	500	*5.70
	1000	5.75	4000	5.80	500	*5.80
	1500	*5.85	2500	5.35	5500	5.80
Tram. (Bearer) £1					100	43.25
C. G. Omnibus			900	17.60	600	17.50
Telephone			300	34.50	500	34.25
	1600	34.00	300	*34.00	500	34.25
S'hai Gas			1600	16.70	100	16.60
	200	*16.80	500	16.80		
Paper			8000	5.50	4500	*5.50
	2000	5.45	4500	5.55	1500	*5.55
	2000	*5.60	500	5.60	4500	5.55
Lumber (X.D.)			100	62.00	200	63.50
	100	63.00	2300	63.50	600	*64.00
	1800	*63.50	800	64.00	100	65.00
	100	*66.00	200	66.00	500	66.50
	500	67.00	100	67.50	100	68.00
	1000	*68.50	400	68.50	1300	68.00
	100	68.50	300	68.00		
Metal			200	36.25	1000	36.50
	200	*36.50	500	*36.25	2200	36.25
	1100	*36.00	3100	36.00	1100	36.25
	5500	36.50	700	*36.50	500	*36.75
	500	*36.25	3200	36.50	8900	36.25
	2600	*38.50				
Exploration			1000	*30.75	1000	30.75
	8000	30.50	1000	*30.50	4000	*30.25
	5500	30.75	4000	*31.00	22000	31.00
	1000	31.25	1000	31.25	27500	31.00
	5000	*31.00	5000	31.25	500	*31.25
Power (Pref)					230	137.50
Anglo Dutch					300	17.00
Anglo Java (X.D.)					300	31.25
	100	*31.50	300	31.50	100	31.25
Cheng			1000	0.86	4000	0.85
	1000	*0.85				
Kroewoek			1000	2.07½	1000	2.05
Langkat			100	*21.00	200	21.25
	100	21.50	100	21.75	400	21.50
	1300	21.25				
Rubber Trust (X.D.)					3000	10.60
	1000	*10.80				
Samagaga					1000	1.84
Senawang			15000	2.00	1000	2.02½
Kelantan					2000	0.85
Tanah Merah (X.D.)					1000	3.30
Tebong (X.D.)					13000	1.42
Ziangbe					100	19.30
Champ de Course					500	50.00
Power 5½% Debs.					6000	*101.50
	110000	101.50				

ODD LOTS

China Realty					130	*13.40
Cathay Land					500	*3.90
Power (Pref)			5	*137.50	5	137.75
S'hai Loan					200	23.00
I. I. Trust					300	*30.00
Worsted			100	5.75	65	5.75
	200	5.70				
Ewo Brewery					150	8.50
Asia Navigation			100	15.30	200	*15.20
	200	15.20				
Ewo Mills (Ord)					25	41.50
Lumber					60	63.00
Exploration			160	*30.50	200	31.25
	100	30.50				
Langkat			80	21.50	75	21.50
Yangtsze Finance			200	19.30	200	*19.70
	100	19.70				

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China Finance					4000	1.40
Yangtsze Finance X.D.					500	19.50
	4000	*19.60	500	19.50	1500	*19.40
	1000	19.30	500	19.40	500	*19.20
	1000	19.20	2500	19.10		
S'hai Loan			2000	*24.00	1000	24.00
	1000	23.75	2000	23.50		
I. I. Trust X.D.			500	31.25	500	*30.75
	1500	30.75	500	*30.50		
Central Prop. X.D.			400	20.75	200	*20.75
	100	20.50				
China Realty			1000	13.40	4000	*13.50
	4500	13.40	1500	13.30		
S'hai Land			3000	18.80	5000	18.90
	5000	18.80	2500	18.70	500	18.60
	3000	18.50				
Dockyards			100	*30.25	700	30.25
	500	*30.00	1500	30.00	2000	29.75
Asia Navigation			4000	15.40	1500	*15.30
	7000	15.30	2500	*15.20	5500	15.20
Ewo Brewery			1000	*8.45	5000	8.45
	2000	8.40				
Wheelock			300	*116.50	500	116.50
	500	*117.00	1300	116.50	1100	116.00
	800	*115.50	1200	115.50	1600	115.00
Ewo Mills (Ord)			1300	*41.75	600	42.00
	1100	41.75	700	*42.00	100	42.00
	2300	41.75	400	*41.50	4900	41.50
	400	*41.75				
Textile					500	*8.75
Worsted			1000	5.85	1000	*5.85
	1000	*5.90	2500	5.90	1500	5.85
	2500	5.80				
Tram (Bearer) £1					900	43.50
C. G. Omnibus			100	17.50	300	17.60
	100	17.40				
Telephone			100	34.50	700	*34.50
	100	34.00				
S'hai Gas			200	16.90	500	16.70
Paper			6000	5.55	500	*5.50
	2000	*5.55	500	5.50		
Lumber X.D.			800	69.00	700	68.50
	400	*68.00	100	68.00	500	67.50
	200	67.00	100	*67.50	800	67.00
Metal			200	*36.50	300	*36.25
	2900	36.25	400	*36.00	4500	36.00
Kaiping			400	42.50	100	*42.50
Exploration			4500	*31.25	6500	31.25
	500	*31.00	2500	31.00	2000	*30.75
	8000	30.75	3500	*30.50	1500	30.50
Power (Pref)					200	137.50
Anglo Dutch					200	16.90
Anglo Java X.D.			100	31.25	100	31.50
	200	31.25				
Cheng					2000	0.85
Kroewoek					3000	2.05
Langkat					100	21.00
Samagaga					2000	1.86
Senawang			7000	2.00	5000	2.02½
Kelantan					1000	0.86
Sua Manggis					1000	2.15
Sungala X.D.					500	7.80
Tanah Merah X.D.					1,000	3.30
Tebong X.D.			2000	1.40	7000	1.42
Ziangbe			100	*19.30	100	19.20
	100	19.00				
Power 5½%			25000	101.00	5500	*101.00
Cathay Land 6% Tael					2500	99.00
	9900	95.00				
Am. Club					2060	66.00
S. W. W.					1000	5.50

ODD LOTS

Lumber					55	*67.00
S'hai Land					300	18.70
Sua Manggis					200	2.07½
S'hai Gas					32	16.90
Asia Navigation					100	15.20
Textile					100	8.85
Worsted					25	5.75
China Realty			100	13.60	100	13.50

*—Direct Business.

Int. Assurance Co., Ltd. Meeting

THE eleventh ordinary general meeting of the International Assurance Co. Ltd., was held yesterday at the head office, 17 The Bund. Mr. G. E. Marden presided, supported by Sir Calder Marshall K.B.E., Messrs H. E. Arnhold, M. Freeman, C. E. Sherwin, directors and Mr. E. I. Owen, secretary. Shares present and represented totalled 125,132.

The notice convening the meeting and the auditors' report having been read by the secretary, the chairman addressed the meeting as follows:—

Gentlemen,—The accounts and directors' report having been in your hands for some days, I trust that I may, following the usual custom, take them as read.

An analysis of the figures as submitted to you will indicate that, notwithstanding all difficulties, substantial development as well as improvement has been manifested in all branches of the company's business. All classes of insurance transacted by the company show a substantial increase of production, the aggregate amount of the net premium written by the company amounting to £117,540.10d., or £28,706.18. 2d. in excess of the premium written during the year 1939. All branches of insurance have rendered a satisfactory underwriting profit amounting to £10,986.17. 2d., as against £8,352. 7. 2d. for the year 1939.

The favourable results in the case of both the underwriting operations and the investment policy have been applied by your directors for the purpose of consolidating the company's financial position. A special reserve of £8,182.17. 1d. for fluctuation of investments has been established, the unamortized cost of £13,997.12.10d. of the purchase of the general managers' agreement written off in full, and the underwriting reserves—especially the marine fund—considerably increased as compared with preceding years. Due to these appropriations, the amount carried from the profit and loss account to the balance sheet has been greatly reduced, but there is no doubt that the company will benefit by the adoption of these measures.

Turning to the statement before you, I shall deal first with the revenue accounts in their order, as follows:

Fire Account

Net premiums retained by the company for its own account amounted to £18,555. 9.11d. and the losses incurred less recoveries from reinsurers totalled £7,041.11. 4d. After setting aside the customary reserve of 40 per cent. of net premiums written for unexpired risks, an underwriting profit of £2,223. 5. 4d. has been carried to profit and loss account. The net premium income shows a large increase of £8,563. 6. 5d. over that for 1939, the operations of the Fire Pools in China, the Philippine Islands and overseas countries in which the company participates being mainly responsible for the expansion of business.

Our direct fire business continues to grow due to the increased production of our Shanghai office and the greatly enhanced values of buildings and commodities. The production of our Hongkong and Singapore offices shows a reduction, as most of the goods formerly stored there awaiting shipment to the interior of China have now left these ports.

No new branch office or agency organization has been established during 1940 in China and the Far East, as the unsettled conditions in the occupied territory of China and other countries such as the Dutch East Indies and Thailand have not encouraged an expansion of business.

Marine Account

Net marine premiums retained by the company totalled £12,846. 8.10d. This amount represents an increase of £8,528.17. 4d. or 197.53 per cent. over the net premiums for the twelve months of 1939. This large increase of premium income is chiefly due to the greatly advanced values of hulls and cargo, substantial volume of war risk insurance written and partly to the increase of amounts retained by the company for its own risk. The losses incurred totalled £2,057. 4. 9d. or 16.01 per cent. of premiums written. To provide for possible adverse contingencies due to the uncertainty of conditions of marine transportation in the future and expected abnormal delays in reporting and settling claims, a reserve for unexpired risks and losses not reported, amounting to £8,992.10. 2d. or 70 per cent. of net premiums written, has been set aside. The amount credited to profit and loss account amounts to £504.11. 4d.

Our marine insurance operations have been confined chiefly to hull and cargo insurance in the Pacific Ocean and the southern waters of the Far East. Insurances on cargo in major danger zones represented only a small percentage of our total portfolio. This fact, combined with the provision of an ample amount as a reserve for unexpired risks and our conservative underwriting policy, justifies my opinion that the final settlement of the account for 1940 will render a substantial underwriting profit.

Accident Account

This account includes the following classes of insurance: Motor car insurance, personal accident and sickness, guarantee and surety, burglary, plate glass, workmen's compensation and other special classes of casualty insurance. The greater portion of the accident department's net premium income is derived from motor car insurance and accident and health insurance, these classes of insurance having produced 66.10 per cent. and 21.08 per cent. of the aggregate accident premium respectively.

The aggregate net premiums of the accident department totalled £34,214. 3d. an increase of £6,418.11. 9d. over the year 1939. The losses, less reinsurance recoveris, amounted to £15,728.14. 8d., and an underwriting profit of £5,20. 3.11d. has been obtained.

The results of the motor car business have been satisfactory with the exception of the territory of Malaya where, owing to the inadequacy of tariff rates, it is extremely difficult to secure even a moderate underwriting profit on this class of business. Pending the increase of tariff rates and improvement of traffic conditions, it has been decided to reduce the acceptances of motor car insurance in Malaya to the minimum.

Personal accident business is being written by this company chiefly in conjunction with its own and affiliated companies' life insurance business and, as in past years, continues to show excellent results. Sickness insurance, which usually leaves a very scant margin of profit, has been accepted by the company in exceptional cases only and the commitments of the company contracted under sickness policies represents a negligible percentage of its aggregate commitments on accident and health insurance.

Other classes of business transacted by the accident department have been closed with a satisfactory underwriting profit, with the exception of surety business which rendered a small underwriting loss.

Life Assurance Account

This account indicates continuous sound progress. Life assurance in force as on December 31, 1940 amounted to £725,590.12. 9d. as compared with £520,372. 2. 3d. the previous year. The Life Assurance Fund increased from £83,019.15. 2d. on December 31, 1939 to £104,-557.19. 9d. The quinquennial valuation of the liabilities of the life department has been compleetd by our consulting actuary and is based on the modified preliminary term method of valuation, American mortality table and the rate of interest of 3½ per cent.

A net gain of the business in force for the year under review amounted to £88,417. 8. 5d. and the experience for the year 1940 amounts to 57.72 per cent. of the expected mortality.

Over eighty per cent. of our aggregate assurance is written on lives of assureds residing in countries outside of China proper and is issued in such currencies as Straits dollars, Hongkong dollars, pounds sterling and U.S. dollars. Our activities in occupied China are limited almost entirely to the renewal of insurance already in force.

Expenses

The working expenses allotted to specific branches of insurance and the general expenses amounted to £24,426.19. 2d., as compared with £16,293.15. 8d. for 1939. This considerable increase has been caused by the additional work due to large increase of production, increase of remuneration of our staff necessitated by the high cost of living and higher cost of stationery, office supplies and other office expenses. Furthermore, part of expenses defrayed in the past by our former general managers is being carried, as from July 1, 1939, by the company. The ratio of working expenses to the net premiums written during 1940 amounts to 20.78 per cent. as compared with 18.25 per cent. for 1939.

You will be interested in some amplification of the more outstanding items of the balance sheet. The item "cash in hand and in banks on current account" shows a figure of £46,102. 9.11d. as against £51,-134. 4. 3d. on December 31, 1939. The total amount of £46,102. 9.11d. is represented by the following currencies:

	£	% of total
Cash in Pounds sterling	9,796. 6.11	21.25
U.S. Currency, equivalent	16,545. 5. 9	35.89
Other currencies—Pesos, Straits Dollars, Guilders, Indo-China Dollars and Ticals—equivalent	18,105.14. 8	39.27
Chinese National Dollars and Taels, equivalent	1,290.10. 5	2.80
Federal Reserve Bank Notes, equivalent	333. 0. 8	0.72
French Francs, equivalent	32. 4. 2	0.07
	£46,102. 9.10d	100.00

The conversion into pounds sterling of all items of the balance sheet and other accounts in currencies other than pounds sterling has been made at the official rates of exchange as ruling on December 31, 1940.

With regard to the currencies of the securities, £93,142. 1. 1d. or 42.03 per cent. of the total are represented by British War Loan Bonds and Dominion sterling bonds and debentures, and £5,450,15. 6d. or 2.46 per cent. in local sterling common shares. The investments in U.S. dollars, equivalent to £48,686. 0. 2d. or 21.97 per cent., consists mainly of Dominion of Canada bonds and American Public Utility and Railway bonds. Investments in currencies such as Pesos and Straits dollars amount to an equivalent of £28,-371.13.10d. or 12.80 per cent. and £12,445. 1. 8d. or 5.62 per cent. respectively and are represented by debentures, bonds and Straits Settlements and Singapore Municipal debentures. Chinese currency securities totalled CN$1,144,547.18 equal to £16,692. 1. 6d. or 7.53 per cent. of total investments and consist of shares of the Metropolitan Land Co. Ltd. and Taishan Insurance Co. Ltd., together with some debentures. Our only investment in French Francs is Fcs.1,487,500,00 equal to £8,676.11. 7d. in Common Share of the Cie. Franco-Americaine d'Assurances.

Interest on Investments

The above investments, valued at £213,464. 5. d., yielded an interest of £7,822. 0. 4d. or 3.66 per cent. With the exception of one item amounting to US$769,50, being the market value of the Republic of China 5 per cent. Gold dollar Bonds 1925, interest or dividends has been received on all the company's securities.

The Investments have been valued at the market prices ruling on December 31, 1940. A balance sheet value as computed by our auditors has been applied to all unlisted securities.

First Mortgage Loans totalling £17,882. 2.10d. have been granted in Pesos, U.S. dollars, Pounds Sterling and Hongkong dollars on five properties in Manila, Shanghai and Hongkong. The income amounted to £1,121.12.11d. or 6.27 per cent. of value.

The item "land and buildings" is valued at £8,126. 3. 1d. and has yielded an income of £481. 8. 1d. or 5.92 per cent. This item represents two properties in Shanghai and one in Hongkong.

The aggregate value of securities, first mortgage loans and land and buildings totals £239,472.11. 3d. and the income £9,470.18. 5d. or 3.95 per cent.

Profit and Loss Account

The only item requiring an explanation is the full amortization of the cost of purchasing the Genreal Managers' Agreement. This purchase was approved by the shareholders at the general meeting on June 4, 1940. The original cost of purchase amounted to £15,552.18. 8d. An amount of £1,555. 5.10d. was written off in the profit and loss account for 1939, thus leaving an unamortized balance of £13,997.12,10d. Taking into consideration the favourable results of the year's working, your directors decided to write off the unamortized balance of this purchase, amounting to £13,997.12,10d., which action will still further srtengthen the sound position of the company.

The amount of net profit for the year is £1,510. 2. 9d. which, added to the amount carried forward from 1939, £3,635. 6. 1d., gives a credit balance of £5,145. 8.10d. Your directors recommend that this be dealt with as follows:

Write off furniture and fixtures bought during the year	£ 308.10.10
Carry forward to next account	4,836.18. 0
	£5,145. 8.10

Since the last meeting, Mr. F. R. Smith has resigned as general manager of the company owing to ill health.

Since the last meeting, Messrs. E. Sigaut, W. A. Hale and F. R. Smith have resigned from the Board. Mr. W. T. Sullivan was appointed a director but has since resigned from the Board. Mr. Mansfield Freeman has joined the board and his appointment requires confirmation.

Sir Robert Calder-Marshall, K.B.E., Sir Shou-son Chow, Kt. LL.D. and Mr. C. V. Starr retire in accordance with the Articles of Association and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors

The retiring auditors, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, offer themselves for re-election.

Before answering any questions and putting the Resolutions, I wish to express the Company's appreciation of the hard work and loyal spirit of our staff during the present difficult conditions.

Are there any questions? If not, I shall now put the resolutions.

The following resolutions were carried:—

That the directors' report and auditors' statement of accounts as presented for the year ended December 31, 1940, be and they are hereby received, approved and adpted. Proposed by Mr. G. E. Marden and seconded by Mr. H. E. Arnhold.

That the following recommendations as to the appropriation of the balance at credit of Profit and loss Account as presented be accepted:—

Write off furniture and fixtures bought during the year	£ 308.10.10
Carry forward to next account	4,836.18. 0
	£5,145. 8.10

Proposed by Mr. G. E. Marden and seconded by Sir R. Calder-Marshall, K.B.E.

That the appointment of Mr. Mansfield Freeman be confirmed and that the retiring directors, Sir Robert Calder-Marshall, K.B.E., Sir Shou-son Chow, Kt.LL.D. and Mr. C. V. Starr be and are hereby re-elected directors of the company. Proposed by Mr. R. E. Shean and seconded by Mr. E. E. Sherwin.

That Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews be and they are hereby re-elected auditors of the company for 1941 at an annual Fee of £250.0.0d. Proposed by Mr. Mansfield Freeman and seconded by Mr. R. E. Shean.

Japan's New Financial Programme Hailed

Tokyo, July 14.

The "Japan Times & Advertiser" editorially declared yesterday that the most important feature of Japan's new national financial and fiscal programme is the foreign exchange policy "the essence of which is conservation of foreign exchange."

Pointing out that Japanese exports help to build up reserves of foreign exchange, the "Times" asserted that there will be closer retrenchment of this fund with all holdings becoming subject to Government disposal.

Foreign Currency Necessary

"Certain materials not produced within the Japanese Empire are essential for defence and although much has been done to provide synthetic articles, there remains considerable volume available only through foreign purchase, and for this purpose foreign currency is the only substitute for a barter arrangement," the paper stated.

The paper admitted that it will be increasingly difficult to obtain foreign exchange and pointed out the Government would in the future closely scrutinize all such transactions.

Asserting that the value of the yen has to be maintained, the newspaper declared that this involves employment of foreign funds on lines of the British-American fund to maintain the value of the yuan in China. The Government also proposes to conclude agreements with foreign countries to smooth settlement of trade accounts and monetary relations.

This system is a broader application of the agreement made with French Indo-China and it looks to a barter arrangement with recognition of the yen as the medium of balancing and book-keeping.—United Press.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn. 20's, D.H. p.b. Cash		$1,570
Tungchow cotton ..	per picul	250
Shanghai cotton ..	per picul	230
		picul
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22 78%		$6,400 Nom.
Flour, local ..	per bag (49lb.)	$29.00
Flour, imported	„	32.40

Manila Gold Shares

(Sales in Pesos)

July 14.	Sales 10 a.m.		Prices p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.34	B	.345	B
Antamok	.05	A	.05	A
Baguio Gold	.145		.14	B
Batong Buhay	.0075	A	.0075	A
Big Wedge	.43	B	.44	
Coco Grove	.1025		.1025	
Consolidated Mines	.0040		.0039	B
Demonstration	.05	A	.05	A
East Mindanao	.09	B	.09	B
I. X. L.	.22	A	.22	A
Ipo Gold	.05	A	.05	A
Itogen	.18		.18	
Mambulao Consolidated	.01	A	.01	A
Masbate Consolidated	.09		.0875	B
Mine Operations	.055	A	.055	A
Paracale Gumaus	.235	B	.235	B
San Mauricio	.30	A	.30	A
Surigao Consolidated	.18	B	.18	B
Suyoc	.09	B	.0925	
Syndicate Investment	.025	A	.025	A
United Paracale	.165	B	.165	B
Mindanao Motherlode	.37	B	.365	
Manila Hai-Alai	8.00	B	8.00	B
Benguet Consolidated (over the counter)	3.15	B	—	

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Allied Leaders Express Faith In France

London, July 14.

Messages expressing devotion to France, faith in her greatness, and certainty of her liberation have been sent to the Independent French newspaper "France" by a number of distinguished representatives of Allied nations on the occasion of French national day today.

Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, wrote: "Our hearts are with the people of France in the cruel sufferings which they are enduring under the yoke of a brutal and barbarous invader, and we do not forget their sons, husbands or fathers who are still languishing in German prison camps. An anniversary will soon come when uniforms of the German army and Gestapo will have disappeared from French soil, and the Champs d'Elysee will once more echo to the measured tread of the gallant fighting forces of France, restored to independence and greatness."

De Gaulle's Message

General de Gaulle, in a message, stated: "Today, as a year ago, we recognize only one foe. We shall recognize him in any disguise. We shall fight him with every weapon. We shall only consider that we have accomplished our task when he has been finally beaten."

General Sikorski, Prime Minister of Poland and Commander-in-Chief of the Polish army, in his message expressed unshakeable faith in the French nation and its future, while Dr. Edouard Benes, on behalf of Czech-Slovakia, expressed the hope that France, after having found her soul again and contributed to the common victory, would also find a place worthy of her among free peoples.

Similar sentiments were expressed by M. Pierlot, the Prime Minister of Belgium, Professor Gorbrandy, the Netherlanls Prime Minister, and M. Lie, Norwegian Foreign Minister.—Reuter.

Language Restriction In Japan Defended

Tokyo, July 14.

The "Japan Times & Advertiser" today editorially defended the new telephone regulations, effective last Saturday, prohibiting use of foreign languages between cities in Japan, permitting use only of the German language to Europe, English and Japanese languages to America, and Japanese and Chinese languages to the Asiatic continent.

"This is a time of national tension everywhere when every reasonable precaution must be taken to prohibit the misuse of telephones," the editorial stated. "Experiences in France and Norway are still vivid.

"The routing and checking of conversations between towns would require a complex system of interpretation in the event foreign tongues are spoken. A large staff of linguists would be needed....

"The regulations will be accepted here as reasonable and necssitated by national interests."

It was learned, however, that Mr. Joseph C. Grew, United States Ambassador to Japan who is at present on vacation at Karuizawa, was made an exception and can use the English language over any telephone.

It was understood that similar exceptions were voted to the heads of other embassies and legations.

Foreign languages will be allowed within the confines of any one city.—United Press.

"Invaders" at "Brum" Well Beaten

London, July 14.

Several thousand parachutists strove to force their way into the industrial city of Birmingham, in the Midlands, on Saturday night in a realistic invasion exercise which presumed there had been an airborne landing after a heavy "blitz."

The Home Guard, who were alone responsible for the military defence of the city, were more than a match for the invaders, under the command of "General von Stirling." The latter failed to reach their objective in any direction, it is reported.

Many of the airborne troops were tough Czechs, Free French and Dutch, and although they took several of the outer defences without great difficulty, their numbers dwindled as soon as they came into contact with the Home Guard, and the umpires decided they had been well and truly beaten.—Reuter.

Gen. Marshall Demands Longer Army Service

Washington, July 14.

Unless the selective service in the army is extended beyond the present limit of one year, outlying American defence bases cannot be adequately manned.

This is the opinion understood to have been expressed by the United States army chief of staff, General George C. Marshall, to Congressional leaders.

He is reported to have said that unless additional service is authorized, a large number of troops will have to be brought back from Hawaii because of the approaching expiration of their service of 12 months.—Reuter.

Italian Ambassador Calls on Sakamoto

Tokyo, July 14.

Baron Mario Indelli, Italian Ambassador, called on Mr. Tamao Sakamoto, Chief of European and Asiatic Affairs Division of the Foreign Office, this morning to exchange information on the European situation.—Domei.

Germans Ordered Out of Manila Gas Co.

Manila, July 14.

Four German officials of the Manila Gas Corporation, including the General Manager, Mr. Hoyer, were today ordered off the premises of the installation by the authorities and to evacuate their residences in the compound.—Reuter.

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TODAY is St. Swithin's Day and, according to an old proverb, if it rains today it will rain for forty days and forty nights.

A POPULAR series is the fortnightly "Sense and Nonsense" from XCDN tonight at 9.20. This is arranged and given by Henry Brigg.

MR. Chou Fo-Hai, Finance Minister of the Nanking Government, and members of his staff, who recently returned from Japan left for Nanking yesterday.

THIS week's meeting of the Rotary Club will be held on Thursday at 12.15 p.m. at the Metropole Hotel, 1st floor. The speaker will be the Reverend F. W. Weaver, and his subject, "Seamen in Shanghai."

A SUM of $53 has been forwarded to the Central British War Fund from the sale of "Fragments" on sale at most of the leading book stalls. This gift book contains a series of prose poems. All proceeds for British War Funds.

THE King's Daughters' Society are urgently in need of raincoats for three youths, and will be very grateful to receive any discarded raincoats at their offices, 864-868 Avenue Foch, office hours 8.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

MARKING the first instance of cholera in the Japanese community in Hongkew this year, Mr. Shigenobu Nishi, 24, employee of the Central China Railway Company, who was taken ill on Sunday, is now in a Japanese Isolation Hospital, undergoing treatment, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports.

A BAMBOO shack in Lane 453 Pingliang Road was gutted at 1.55 a.m. yesterday. Engines from the Yangtszepoo station were sent to the scene and the firemen had the flames under control within a quarter of an hour. The blaze was completely extinguished by 2.41 a.m. Fortunately, no one was injured.

THE industrial experimental bureau of the Kiangsi Provincial Government has successfully manufactured ten chemical compounds for industrial uses, in view of the fact they are no longer available in the interior. These include potassium sulphate, sulphuric acid, and other useful industrial chemical compounds, the report states.

AN exceptionally interesting programme is offered by XCDN for its Symphony Concert tonight at 9.30. It begins with Moussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition," then comes "Music for the Theatre" by the distinguished American composer, Copland and lastly, the most recent work of his English vis-à-vis, Vaughan Williams' Symphony in F. Minor.

IN future the B.R.A. Bookshop, Sassoon Arcade, will be open for business from 9 a.m.—2 p.m. every Monday and Thursday, as from this next Thursday. It is hoped that this arrangement will be of convenience to those who are able to shop during the tiffin hour. More books are needed for the shop; all contributions shoud be sent to the Secretary, B.R.A. War Efforts sub-Committee, 27, The Bund.

To increase the production of the necessities of life, the Kwangtung Provincial Government is now planning the establishment of cotton and spinning undustries, flour mills says a Shiukwan message to the "National Herald." The provincial authorities have now formed a preparatory committee, comprising technical experts, and has voted a grant of C$1,700,000 for the enterprise, the report concludes.

UNDER instruction from the Chinese National Government, the Joint Administrative Offices of the four government banks have voted a grant of C.$20,000,000 to aid the development of agriculture in Chekiang province during the current year, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao." The farm credit will be distributed to all areas coming under the direct jurisdiction of the districts of Chuchow, Yenchow and Shaoshing.

THE Fukuda Primary School at Chengju, which is owned and operated by Mr. Tagayasu Fukuda, President of the Central China Telecommunications Company, out of his personal funds, will be expanded in the near future to give better facilities to the four Chinese teachers and 106 Chinese pupils who are undergoing purely Chinese education. A new extension costing Y.40,000 will be completed within this year the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports.

IN accordance with Bye-law LII recently approved by ratepayers consisting of the following persons and the Consular Body, a Committee has been appointed for a period of one year to determine appeals from assessments or re-assessments made by the Shanghai Municipal Council: —Messrs. E. H. Adams, A.R.I.B.A.; E. Busch; Elliott Hazzard, A.I.A.; Poy G. Lee, R.A., M.S.C.A.; T. K. Tsutsumi, and Col. P. F. Unterberger, Dipl. C.E., Mil. Engr. V.D.I. (Germany).

DR. Wei Tao-ming, Chinese Ambassador to Vichy on Sunday left Chungking for Hongkong by plane, en route to France, says a Chungking message to the "Cheng Yien Pao." He was accompanied by Mrs. Wei, Mr. Hsu Kung-shu, Counsellor to the Chinese Embassy a Vichy, and oher Embassy members. The party was seen off at the Chungking aerodrome by Dr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Foreign Minister, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Secreary-General to the Supreme National Defence Council, and other government officials and military representatives.

THE Shanghai Municipal Council health report for the week ending midnight July 12, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Settlement was—Foreigners 21 and Chinese 1094. Deaths from notifiable diseases were—Foreigners, tuberculosis 6; typhoid fever 2 and cerebrospinal fever, bacillary dysentery one each. Chinese, typhoid fever 81; tuberculosis 77; dysentery 24; measles 4; relapsing fever 4; cerebrospinal fever 3; beri-beri 3; typhus fever 3; smallpox 2; influenza 2 and paratyphoid fever, malaria one each.

SHIPPING NEWS

Remaining in port for three days, the fast American freighter Dona Aurora of the De La Rama Line left yesterday on her voyage to New York via Hongkong, Manila, Los Angeles and Panama Canal. The steamer sailed from the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company's Pootung Wharf and carried on board a large consignment of cargo from Shanghai.

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After arriving here yesterday morning, the D.K.K. liner Tientsin Maru on the Dairen-Tsingtao-Shanghai run will be sailing again on her return voyage to northern ports this afternoon at 3 p.m. The vessel will be leaving from the Company's Whangpoo Wharf and passengers are reminded that they are required to be on board at least half an hour before sailing time. Registered mail to catch this vessel must be posted so as to reach the Head Post Office by 11.30 a.m. today and ordinary mail by 12 noon.

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An interesting paper, which has a bearing on the question of the sea speed of ships as distinct from their nominal or trial speed, was delivered by Mr. A. Kari to the North-East Coast Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders. It is sometimes thought that the speed of a slow vessel falls off to a greater degree than that of a faster ship when heavy weather is encountered, but the figures given by Mr. Kari show that this is not altogether the case. The slower and, therefore, fuller vessel may suffer more when driven into a head sea, but, on the other hand, it has been observed that on the North Atlantic the finer ship occasionally makes a less favourable passage. Mr. Kari's results show that, in the kind of weather met with in the River Plate trade, a 10-knot vessel will lose only about one knot, while a 15-knot vessel will lose about three-quarters of a knot.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

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Dona Nati	—	19/7	Tatuta M	11/7	16/7
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K'kura M	30/6	4/8	Nitta M	5/7	21/7
Yawata M	7/7	18/8	From Kobe		
From S. Francisco					
Yawata M	11/7	18/8	Taiyo M	19/7	21/7
From Honolulu			From Nagasaki		
K'kura M	8/7	4/7	S'hai M	15/7	16/7

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For Bombay		For Kobe and Yokohama	
Hakone M	20/7	Durban M	30/7
For New York		Anyo M	30/7
Dona Nati	22/7	Nagato M	30/7
For Los Angeles		Nitta M	31/7
Tatuta M	19/7	For Nagasaki	
Dona Nati	22/7	Kobe M	15/7
For S. Francisco		Shanghai M	17/7
Tatuta M	19/7	Nagasaki M	19/7
For Manila		For Dairen	
Nitta M	22/7	Tientsin M	15/7
Dona Nati	22/7	Hoten M	18/7
Kamakura M	5/8	Dairen M	20/7
Yawata M	19/8		

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
A. F. L'bach	U.S.A.	A.P.L.
Sanko M.	Tsingtao	T.K.K.
Myoko M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Kobe M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Tientsin M.	Dairen	D.K.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Husan M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Tsingtao M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Tainan M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Banshu M. 5	Jap.	K.U.K.
Tukuba M.	Jap.	T.K.K.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
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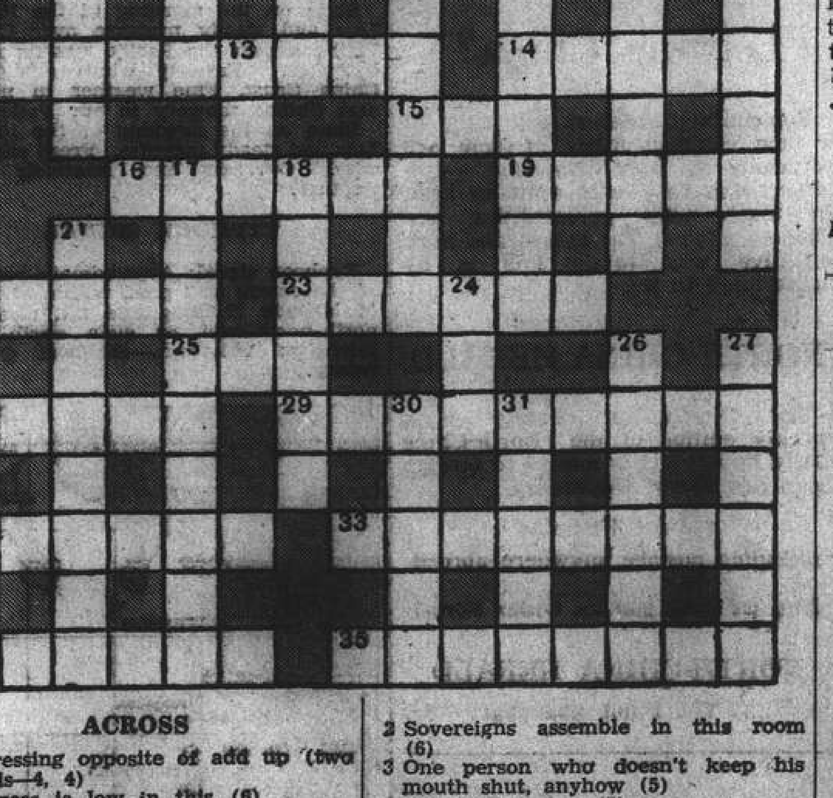

ACROSS

1 Depressing opposite of add up (two words—4, 4)
5 1 across is low in this (6)
9 The donkey has a famous one (8)
10 which is a this (6)
12 Sights up for this (two words—4, 5)
14 Lo, the slave (5)
15 Kings of the 13 down (3)
16 This cake should go around all right (6)
19 A century before made it box (5)
22 Make sizzle as in nonsense (5)
23 Willing to face anything out? (6)
25 Broken start of 7 down (3)
28 They are attractive to the end (5)
29 One thing the heir hasn't got coming to him (two words—5, 4)
32 Not meant to be taken literally (6)
33 Pine (8)
34 Two stars (6)
35 Shark in the corn business? (8)

DOWN

1 This rook can be white (6)
2 Sovereigns assemble in this room (6)
3 One person who doesn't keep his mouth shut, anyhow (5)
4 He has his day (5)
6 Useful implement to chuck a tar out with? (9)
7 As seen on the screen? No (two words—4, 4)
8 Of quinine? (8)
11 Peaceful disposition of sappers in two directions (6)
13 What to give a fainting person (3)
17 It's easy if you get my meaning (9)
18 There may be two or three leap years in this (6)
20 Give this man a straw (6)
21 Cosy place for chess, but draughts would spoil it (two words—4, 4)
24 This creature has nothing missing but only three quarters left (3)
26 Harder than asinine (6)
27 Nothing for you to worry about (6)
30 No freeboard (5)
31 Is the Court of International Settlement still here? (5)

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 1, Napoleon 5, Switch; 9, Turned in; 10, Stoker; 11, Cremated; 13, Change; 14, Rut; 16, Goitre; 19, Sacking; 20, Moujik; 21, Ink; 26, Runner; 27, Gelatine; 28, Stolid; 29, Knapsack; 30, Tether; 31, Blind man. DOWN: 1, Notice; 2, Purser; 3, Leeway; 4, Oliver; 6, Watchdog; 7, Take note; 8, Hardened; 12, Ducking; 15, Oak; 16, Gnu; 17, Smart set; 18, Turncoat; 19, Sideline; 22, Kennel; 23, Sampan; 24, Disarm; 25, Beckon.

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TO-DAY'S WEATHER PROBABILITIES

Cloudy and fine weather with south-easterly winds around Shantung. Overcast with local showers and fresh north-easterly winds over our regions. Cyclonic rough weather with squalls and showers over the Eastern Sea, owing to the typhoon which is apparently of a small diameter and advancing north-north-west or even north-westward.

	At Cathedral		At Siccawei	
Temperature yesterday	min. 65.0	max. 76.0	min. 64.4	max. 78.4
„ same date last year	min. 80.0	max. 94.0	min. 76.8	max. 91.2

Rainfall: 1.59

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To-day's Events $4 per line, including all insertions made till date of event.

BIRTH

HAINES.—On July 10, 1941, at Yelverton, Devon, to EUGÉNIE (née REYNELL) wife of Lieutenant R. G. C. HAINES, Royal Navy, a daughter. 10270

ENGAGEMENT

PETTERSSON—PALMER.—The engagement is announced of WILLIAM, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Pettersson of Shanghai, to LOTTIE, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Palmer, late of C. M. Customs. (Hongkong and Macau papers please copy.)

DEATH

JOHN.—One July 14, 1941, at The Country Hospital, Shanghai, ARTHUR LEWIS JOHN, aged 48 years, the dearly-beloved husband of Mrs. May O'Brien John and loving father of Betty, Eve, Helen and Dorothy. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be held today, Tuesday, July 15, 1941, at the Bubbling Well Cemetery at 4.30 p.m.

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TO-DAY'S EVENTS

JULY

15 St. Swithin's Day
15 Shameen (Canton) general strike began (1924)
15 President Lebrun handed over office to Marshal Petain (1940)

COMING EVENTS

JULY

16 'The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30.
16 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', British Night 402 Avenue Haig.
17 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', Norwegian Night 402 Avenue Haig.
18 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', Greek Night 402 Avenue Haig.
19 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', American Night 402 Avenue Haig.
20 Girl Guides' Fun Fair. War Fund, Shanghai Jewish School
21 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', Czechoslovakian Night 402 Avenue Haig.
22 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', Naval Military and Air Force Night 402 Avenue Haig.
23 'The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30.
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24 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', British Dominions Night 402 Avenue Haig.
25 Extr. Gen. Mtg., Shanghai Club, 5.30.
25 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', Polish Night 402 Avenue Haig.
26 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', Free French Night 402 Avenue Haig.
30 'The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30.

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Shanghai, July 13, 1941. 10254

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Barometer (inches)	29.67	29.67	29.64	29.65
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.07	+0.03	+0.02	—0.02
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	+0.05	0.00	—0.03	—0.02
Wind (direction)	ESE	E	E/N	ENE
„ (miles per hour)	10.6	12.4	16.2	18.7
Temperature (Fahr.)	72.5°	70.0°	66.2°	70.0°
Humidity (per cent)	87	98	95	96
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	10	10
Rainfall (inches)	0.03	0.12	1.28	0.06

Siccawei Abridged Report July 13	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.66	+0.05	29.68
Temperature: min. 70.7° max. 76.6°	73.7°	—0.2°	81.0°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	32.51	0.57	25.20

Time and Tide	15/7	16/7	17/7	18/7	19/7	20/7	21/7
Sun rises at Shanghai	4.59	4.59	5.00	5.00	5.01	5.02	5.02
Sun sets at Shanghai	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.59	18.59	18.58	18.58
Moon rises at Shanghai	23.10	23.44	—	0.19	0.56	1.36	2.20
Moon sets at Shanghai	11.03	11.56	12.50	13.42	14.34	15.26	16.17
Flood makes Shai. (day)	14.15	14.55	15.50	17.00	6.10	7.23	8.30
Ebb makes Shai. (day)	7.35	8.10	8.54	9.45	10.47	12.00	13.00
H.W. W'tung Bar (day)	16.39	17.33	5.53	7.10	8.36	9.43	10.30
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	9.35	8.45	7.60	6.80	6.57	6.98	7.76

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 13th:—Low and steady pressure over China. Typhoon over the Pacific moving north by west. Easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine weather in north-east China: showery in our Valley.

State on the morning of the 14th:—Low and steady pressure. Fresh easterly wind. Overcast and relatively cool weather.

TYPHOON SIGNAL

Typhoon signal: Approximate position of the centre at 2 p.m., within 60 miles of latitude 27, longitude 127, direction north-north-west or even north-west, intensity: unknown.—Siccawei Observatory.

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TUESDAY, July 15.	Reg.	Ord.
Japan and Korea via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
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Weihaiwei and Chefoo	12.30	13.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
Australia and New Zealand	19.00	20.00
Hongkong and Canton	19.30	20.00

WEDNESDAY, July 16.		
Aust. N.Z. Manila and Java Ports	AX*20.00	8.00
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Hongkong and Canton	12.30	13.00
Amoy Fukien and Kiangsi Provinces via Amoy	13.30	14.00
Swatow	14.00	14.30
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
THURSDAY, July 17.		
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Hongkong and Canton	X 9.30	10.00
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Nantung	18.30	19.00
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